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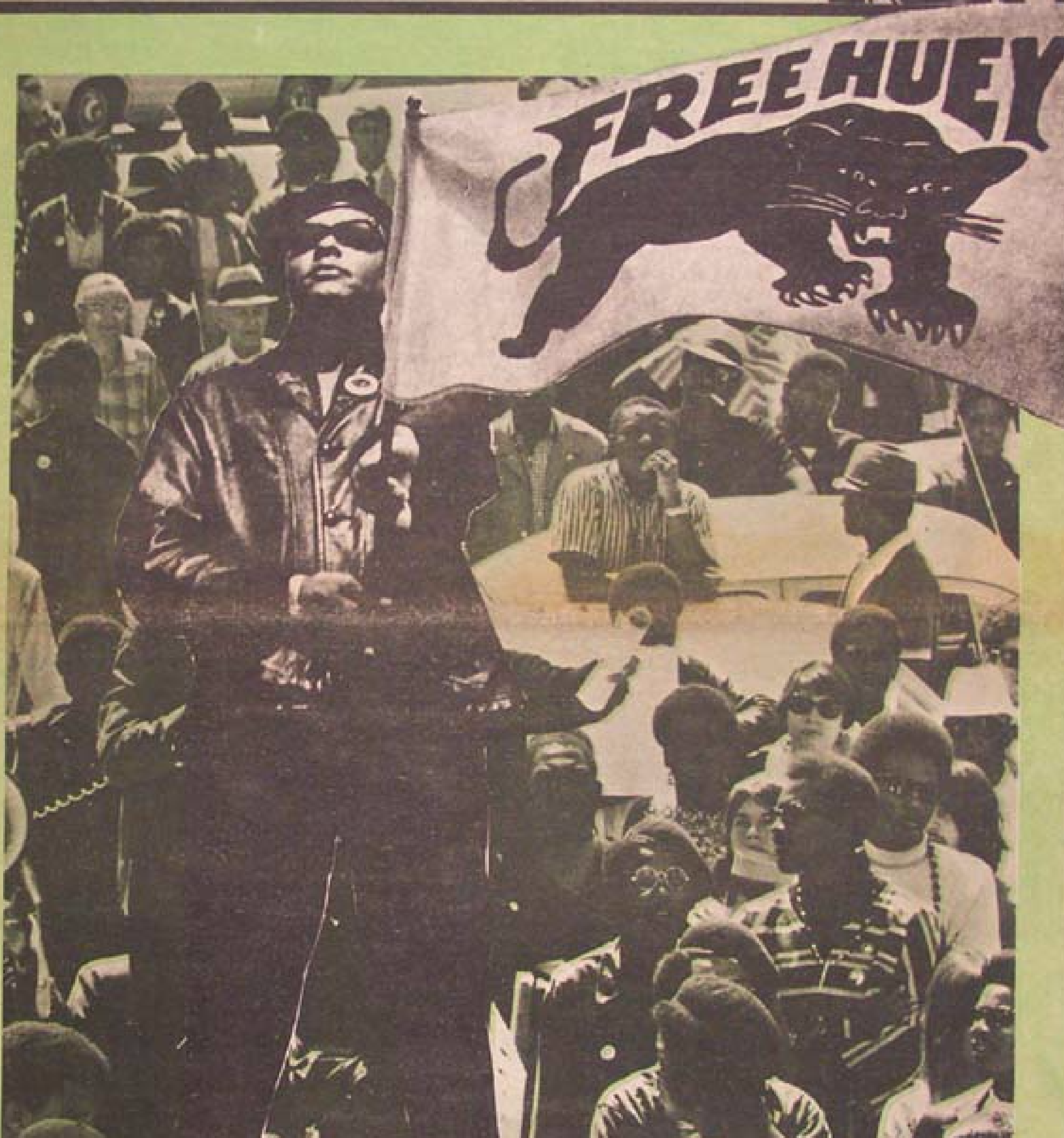
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MAY 1ST



"EXHAUSTING ALL LEGAL MEANS"

Federal Judge Alfonso J. Zirpoli has set May 1st for a hearing to make the Reagan-Alioto power structure show why it will not release the Minister of Defense Huey P. Newton on bail which Huey has a right to, while pending his appeal.

DEMONSTRATION TO FREE HUEY

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FREEING HUEY

HERE'S HOW TO DO IT

by Stew Albert

Huey Newton has a good chance of getting out on bail if ten thousand people show up at the Federal Building at 10 AM on May 1st. There is going to be a bail hearing conducted by Judge Alfonso Zirpoli and for once the state is on the defensive.

Federal Judge Zirpoli has slapped the DAs office with a "show cause" order as to why Huey Newton should not be granted his constitutional right to bail.

The long hard battle of the Black Panther Party and lawyer Charles R. Garry may be on the verge of at least partial victory.

"It is absolutely crucial that between 10 and 20 thousand people show up outside the Federal Building during the hearing" Chairman Bobby Seale rapped passionately to the BARB.

"We have got to show Judge Zirpoli that there is massive community support for giving Huey bail," Seale went on. "A huge rally will counter the racist pressure to keep Huey in."

The rally will go on for several hours, featuring Panthers Kathleen Cleaver, Bobby Seale and David Hilliard, as well as Willy Brown, Ron Dellums, Charles R. Garry, Tom Hayden, and spokesmen from the Mexican and Chinese community. There will be various kinds of entertainment.

"People at the rally should say and do what they want," Seale stated. "We will have speakers on every corner and an open microphone," Bobby continued. "If the Pigs mess with the rally the Pan-

Eldridge had dreamed of this black man floating around his cell gun in hand and calling on the prisoners of Folsom and Harlem to blast their manhood into the pages of a new history book. Here was Huey Newton flesh to the dream. A few days later Cleaver was Minister of Information of the Black Panthers, and the Parole Punks realized this cat was a million times more than a new jiving black intellectual who wrote a best-selling guilt book.

David Hilliard is the number four man in the Black Panther Party. He has been hanging out with Huey since they were kids in the sixth grade. When Huey founded the Panthers he talked David into being Secretary of the Party. Hilliard is a self-taught very tough ex-longshoreman whose most import dictionary, read all the time and memorized, is Huey P. Newton.

The strength of Huey's inspiration is the truth of the Party's survival and growth under pig guns and Newton trapped in prison. A political leader's greatness is not found in the number of men who will ever so dumbly take orders from his ego but in the brothers and sisters he breathes to life who think with their own minds and create the revolution when he is not around. Huey's greatness can not be locked up in San Luis Obispo. It serves one thousand free breakfasts for children every morning and pulls the trigger when the Black Liberation Army takes target practice.

I once spent three hours rapping with Huey in the visitor's cell of the Alameda County Courthouse. It was hard for me not to leap out of my skin with joy at just being with him. I could not believe that this man who passed out candy to his guests and seemed all gentle was the man who pounded the fear of decency into all the patrol cars of Oakland.

Huey Newton understood the shit I was running down to him about the young white cultural revolution almost before the words were out of my mouth. He dug it all but with up front criticism. Huey thinks we have to develop a program and organization that can pull our trip together without drowning it. He thought the Yippies were wild and beautiful but could they take care of themselves in the fascist shit storm brewing in the White House toilet?

them are under orders to defend it."

"We have a precedent," Bobby concluded, "Judge Sherwin released Eldridge Cleaver on bail and if we have a huge mind-blowing turnout at the rally I think we can get Huey out."

The thought that Huey might be making the West Oakland scene again seems five hundred miles ahead of any hope that ever seemed possible. It's almost as if Newton's first name was "Free Huey" and jail the only environment that reality would allow him to live in.

Huey Newton is a giant who turns other men into giants. He founded the Black Panther Party as one man and recruited Bobby Seale to his side. Bobby was an actor, a guy on the stage playing parts. Huey told Bobby to get off the stage and live the life of his revolutionary dreams.

Eldridge Celaver met Huey gun on hip at Ramparts magazine. Huey and the Panthers were guarding the widow of Malcolm X visiting San Francisco. When a pig fat-mouthed the Panthers, Huey told him to put his gun where his mouth was or shut up. The Pig tried to back off gracefully but he only oinked like the court jester of Animal Farm.

Kathleen Cleaver likes to rap about Huey's restless and enormous energy, about how you always knew Huey was coming by the speed noise of his footsteps. He could go from trip to trip at top speed and with a few words bring the brothers along.

Her memory goes back to Huey reading "Soul On Ice" and writing a five-page letter of appreciation to the author. Eldridge and Huey took turn blowing each other's minds. Each is the other man's Bible of revolutionary integrity.

I remember the night Eldridge showed up at my door with a dozen Huey posters. This was the night they came off the press and I put one up on the wall and tried to give them away to my friends. Their reaction was almost universal derision. They made fun of the Panthers' using government and military titles and quipped that Huey was probably masturbating with his gun.

Six months later all these guys were wearing "Free Huey" buttons and marching outside the courthouse. It would be the height of petty cruelty to remind them of their earlier arrogance. Huey Newton has changed more heads than the prison walls will ever allow to imagine.

Huey P. Newton's greatness is that he took the best thoughts of the greatest minds the century has known and summed it up in a law book, a shot gun and a ten-point program. He fused what there is to know with what is to be done. This is why the Ruling Monsters of Money are so freaked with the thought that Huey might be set free on May Day. They know their power is based on the ignorant darkness their overtime factories produce and TV hustles as happiness. They know Huey is a generator, the purest light of freedom our generation has produced.

We have worn buttons and marched on picket lines — now we have a real chance of freeing Huey. We must be outside the Federal Building, twenty thousand strong, on May First.

May Day has always been the day on which the revolutionary people of the world celebrated their struggle for Freedom. On this May Day a struggle will be fought to free the greatest living American Revolutionary, Huey P. Newton. We can help win this victory simply by standing outside the Federal Building and letting Judge Zirpoli know what power to the people really means.

Editorial Statement By Chairman Bobby Seale

Its quite clear lately, not only to the Black Panther Party, but to most of the people, that the Black Panther Party is under direct attack by the Nixon-Rockefeller-Reagan - Alioto power structure. With all of the technology, including CIA, FBI, local police forces, national guard; with all the ruling classes attempts to destroy the people, let alone their attempts to destroy the Black Panther Party. The Black Panther Party members still say loud and clear to all the people just as Huey P. Newton taught the Party that: "THE SPIRIT OF THE PEOPLE IS GREATER THAN THE MANS TECHNOLOGY".

Black people, Mexican-American people, Indian - American people, Chinese-American people, Puerto Rican people any kind of people even poor white people living in the confines of capitalistic, racist America know in fact what the people's struggle is all about, as is exemplified and practiced by the vanguard organization, the Black Panther Party. Those of the ruling class, the rich hogs of America and around the world are colonializing murdering and jailing the working peoples of the world who in fact struggle against imperialism.

The establishment press works, of course, to maintain the present pig ruling class. The proletariat also the unemployed proletarians are all workers who must begin to understand more clearly that they should be a class FOR themselves. We the people have already acted in a manner against the ruling class showing that we are a class IN ourselves. But when working, organizing, relating to concrete programs and objective reality, we definately as people begin to understand that we are a class for ourselves, more and more everyday.

The New York Panther "21" are revolutionaires. David Hilliard, eldridge Cleaver, Roosevelt Hilliard, Landon Williams, Kathleen Cleaver, Donald Cox, and Huey P. Newton along with many many many more brothers who are dedicated members in the Black Panther Party are all true revolutionaries.

The brothers who were arrested attacked tear-gassed and almost murdered, at the San Francisco Black Panther Party office are true revolutionaries.

Bobby Rush, Deputy Minister of Defense, and Fred Hampton, Deputy Chairman, who have been convicted in Chicago are standing strong with the proletarian class. Deputy Chairman, David Brothers of New York has exemplified where his class stand is, and that's with the people.

The Black Panther Party in Des Moines, Iowa who recently, had their office bombed by the pigs there and continue to organize not covering are true revolutionaries.

I give a few examples and there's many, many more in Indianapolis, Indiana, in Denver, Colorado, in Kansas City, in Seattle, Washington in Southern California, Los Angeles, Alprentice 'Bunchy' Carter and John Huggins' Chapter before they were murdered by pork-chop cultural nationalist, black capitalists nigger pigs. The latest information received yesterday, April 28 (the same day that the S.F. Black Panther Party was attacked by ruling class pigs, that morning we found out that the U.S. Federal pig power structure is conspiring with some more secret Federal Grand Jury investigation. Subpoenas are being issued out to a few ex-members of the Party and also to rightous members of the Black Panther Party.

These subpoenas have and are still being issued and the U.S. conspiracy of the upper ruling class, besides sending pigs out to our communities to harass, murder and jail Panther Party members, also uses tactics of trying to trick the people in the many communities into believing some lies, they have cooked up. But however they move, the people must protest, demand, and organize better to stop all tactics that the ruling class used to destroy the people and the people's Vanguard Black Panther Party. Oh! and let's hope that its clear that the members, the organization has the vanguard role because it was earned in battle and blood, death and torture, while serving the people. Jailings which come from unfair court trials, all of which the people have suffered. Huey P Newton knows, and all the Black Panther Party knows as well as the people, simply because Party members are the same and no different from the people. We all know about 'Bunchy', Tommy, Steve, John Huggins and others who have been murdered at the hands of the pigs.

The ruling class pigs, first murdered 'Lil' Bobby, Huey P. Newton sent a message from the County jail to the Party and the people before his trial and this message was "A tribute to 'Lil' Bobby."

A democratic dictatorship by the proletarian class the people who the Black Panther Party members come from is the real reason for the Party. The power structure, that is, the ruling class who is the real minority are against the people. The avaricious (greedy) businessman, the demagogic (lying) politicians, and the PIG (police, national guardsmen, marines, navy, army paratroopers FBI agents, CIA-mission impossible punks, any local under-cover agents and black boot-licking snitchers from the nigger politicians to the murdering ringo Ron Karenga) must be removed by the people. When we see trumped-up charges made against the '21' Panthers in New York, we see the pig power structure in Nixon's America trying to destroy the people's Party, that's serving the people even with our lives, we see clearly that this must stop. When we see eight people of the people's protest and revolutionary movement being indicted with some jive charge of so-called "conspiracy to incite a riot" we see clearly that this must be stopped.

When we see Panthers in New Jersey such as Jimmy York being attacked and arrested by the pigs in that state, then we see clearly that this must be stopped. When we see people anywhere in this country being arrested, attacked, brutalized, murdered or made political prisoners; then I know we the people see clearly that we must go forth as a united front and STOP this destructive activity on the part of the ruling class pigs' attempt to wipe out the people's revolutionary movement. We HAVE to stop them from trying to wipe out the Black Panther Party.

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FREE THE N.Y. PANTHER 21!

If there is any talk at all about conspiracy in connection with the case of 21 members of the Black Panther Party, that talk should be centered around DA Frank Hogan's and the New York City power structure's conspiracy to frame the Panthers.

Certain points must be brought to light before the people of New York and the world:

1) The Black Panther Party, since its inception, has been fighting in the interests of black people for food, clothing, housing, jobs, justice, and peace -- all the rights which have been denied blacks on this continent for over 340 years. In fighting in defense of black people, and for their freedom, the Black Panther Party understands that the enemy is not the great mass of white people, but rather, the small group of men who control the economic and political power in this country. PANTHERS ARE REVOLUTIONARIES, NOT TERRORISTS -- they would not attack common people, those who shop in Alexander's and Bloomingdale's or visit the Bronx Botanical Gardens. That fabrication could only come from the Police Dept. and the District Attorney's office in an attempt to slander the Black Panther Party and generate white racism.

2) In recent months, it has become obvious to every New Yorker that our schools are deteriorating, that our public hospitals are slaughter houses, that unemployment is on the rise, while welfare payments are going down and taxes are going up. The City University may not open in the fall, while the high schools and junior highs are being patrolled by armed cops to keep them open. All in all, the city is in crisis, and John Lindsay and those behind him want to blame the crisis on the Panthers. Race hatred would work very well to keep both blacks and whites fighting each other, while keeping them blind to who is really responsible for their problems.

3) D.A. Frank Hogan and the newspapers have entered into a conspiracy to convict Panthers before trial. In the last week, the people of New York have seen headlines like "COPS: CUBA HELPS PANTHERS PROWL" and "SEEK PANTHER LINK TO STOLEN YOUTH FUNDS" -- all allegations without even one shred of evidence. Who are the real conspirators -- the Panthers or Hogan and his powerful friends?

4) All over the country, dozens of Panthers are in jail. 15 HAVE BEEN MURDERED BY THE POLICE. Almost all Panther leaders are in prison, under indictment, or have fled, all as a result of trumped-up charges. The 21 arrested in New York are being held on $100,000 bail (ransom) each, which effectively keeps them from working in their communities to serve their people. IF THERE IS ANY CONSPIRACY AT ALL, THERE IS A NATION-WIDE CONSPIRACY TO SMASH THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY.

Students for a Democratic Society is an organization of young people who are committed to revolution benefiting all the working people of the world. We support 100% the fight of the black colony in this country for freedom and basic human rights. Without the victory of the black people, none of us can ever achieve freedom. We recognize that the Black Panther Party, with its program of self-defense of the black people under attack, is leading the black nation within the United States.

We support the 21 Panthers now being framed and will do everything in our power to build a mass defense for these victims of D.A. Hogan's conspiracy.

SDS also calls on all groups and individuals who are committed to human rights and freedom to join with us in raising the demands

FREE THE N.Y. 21

BAIL MONEY NEEDED

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BLACK PANTHER PARTY

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NEW YORK N.Y.

HISTORICALLY, ALL REACTIONARY FORCES ON THE VERGE OF EXTINCTION INVARIABLY CONDUCT A LAST DESPERATE STRUGGLE AGAINST THE REVOLUTIONARY FORCES





PIGS VAMP ON S.F. PANTHER OFFICE

The Panthers had been working very hard notifying the Black community and San Francisco in general about the rally to be held May 1st to free Huey.

John Brown was arrested twice last week, once for putting up a poster on a telephone pole about the rally, and the other time at Everett Junior High School. He was attempting to enter the school to talk to an instructor there that wanted a Panther to come and speak but the principle called the tac-squad on him.

Today, April 28th the first incident took place at approximately 3:30 p.m. Ten pigs vamped on one of the sound trucks, used to inform the community of the rally. The second attack came at approximately 5:00 p.m. at the Panther Office itself. Cleveland Brooks, the Officer of the Day was announcing over the speaker at the office about the May 1st rally. He saw pigs converging on the office from both directions with M-16's, Thompson submachine guns and .30 caliber carbines. He immediately came into the office and I gave the order to lock the door. Everyone in the office took refuge in the back of the office to have protection if the pigs started shooting. As I was walking towards the back of the office, I heard the sounds of the door being kicked in. I heard a pig say "stop, if you move you're a dead man". I looked over my shoulder and saw three pigs standing in the doorway with M-16's. I kept walking and ducked around the wall in the rear of the office, and took cover.

There were 11 people in the office all toll, six brothers and five sisters. I hollered upstairs and told them to call National Headquarters, at this point pigs had taken up positions behind cars, and ordered us to come from the office with our hands up. We don't take orders from pigs, so we ignored them. At this point contact was made with Headquarters, at the same time, the first tear gas cannister was fired into the office. Then they began to fire their automatic weapons and more tear gas cannisters.

The tear gas cannisters were landing and exploding in the rear of the office, amongst the food that we had collected for our Breakfast for Children program. The food was ruined and had to be thrown away. At Headquarters they heard the firing and were told about the tear gas and they issued orders to remove our clothes and leave the building. At this point we exited through a rear door into an empty lot. Everyone was very sick from the gas called CS (whatever that is) very potent. At this point they beveled their M-16's at us and said "get up against the building and put your hands up", Barbara Easley who was very sick from the gas asked for assistance. I went to her aid and held her up, so she wouldn't fall. She placed her hands on the wall, I continued to hold her. At this point, some pig called 'big red' said "nigger, I said get your hands up against the wall". At this point I turned toward him and said "the sister is sick and I'm trying to hold her up", before I could finish he started firing at my head. I felt something go through my natural and immediately hit the ground, because I saw he wasn't firing over my head and was trying to kill me. After that they came and handcuffed us and hundreds of Black people began to assemble in the area. The pigs pointed their weapons at the crowd and began firing the Thompson submachine guns over the people's heads. We began to shout May Day FREE HUEY, May Day FREE HUEY. People in the crowd began to shout at the pigs some were crying and in general showing their dislike for the actions on the part of the pigs. At this point, the pigs were trying to break down the gate by backing the paddy-wagon into it, so they could haul us away. They were unsuccessful. One pig trying to play superman, tried to break the lock off with his Thompson submachine gun. He was unsuccessful. Another pig said "let's take them back through the office and out the front." Another pig said "oh no, we can't go through there, there's CS in there". They ar[illegible] [illegible]ced to lift us over the fence out the back. We continued to sing and chant about May Day and FREE HUEY as they lifted us over the fence and placed us in the paddy-wagon.

And they took us away. Everyone was released without charge within thirty minutes later with the exception of Cleveland Brooks, the Officer of the Day who was charged with speaking over a loud speaker, and I was charged with suspicion of assault on a police officer.

At the pigpen we were put in a cell with the brothers who had been busted earlier in the sound truck. We were there possibly thirty minutes and three more brothers from the other sound truck were brought in, making a total of 16 Panthers in all that were arrested.

[illegible]ine were released withou[illegible] [illegible]es. The brothers in the sound trucks were charged with a variety of charges, the only one we really understood was inciting to riot, which was telling people to come to the rally to see about Huey. At the time when I was fingerprinted, a Mexican immigrant pig named Gomez said the assault charge on me was really nothing they only wanted my fingerprints.

There was one sister arrested and released who was not a Panther, her name was Lynn Daniels. The Panthers arrested at the office and released with no charges were:

Dexter Woods
Barbara Easley
Delinda Booker
Sam Napier
Van Taylor
Eddie Griffin
Earlene Coleman
Rosalyn Cooper

Wilbur Poe and Maurice Powell were arrested in one sound truck. Dell Martini, Lucky Jenkins and Billy Hill were arrested in the 2nd sound truck. The pretext of all the attacks today was operating sound equipment without a permit.

FREE HUEY

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Field Marshall
Black Panther Party

MILITARY PIGS

I am a 21 year old Black G.I. serving in the U.S. Air Force. I am stationed at Plattsburgh Air Force Base, New York, about 64 miles from Montreal, Canada.

Being an ardent follower of the Black Panther Party struggle to free US 20th century slaves, I would like to bring to your attention the plight of the pig to rid us Black G.I.'s from this station.

When some Black G.I.'s of this base heard about this, we immediately organized a Black council so that we might help other Black G.I.'s in similar situations and also to acquire outside help in the future.

Well, bigger than shit, a week later a pig saw fit to write KKK on a Black G.I.'s door. Therefore, members of our organization and myself went to work to bring disciplinary action against this pig. We obtained witnesses and even took pictures of the door but unfortunately the pictures did not come out.

I would also like to mention at this time that the pig admitted writing KKK on the door. The military did everything to protect this racial pork chop--even went as far as to oink, he did not do it. This same pig and some of his friends started a racial disturbance with the same Black G.I. again but this time in the mess hall. Well needless to say, he offed the pig and his friends. By the time the military finished with it, the Black G.I. was all wrong, the cry was: If you were not Black, it could not have happened. Our organization worked vigorously and frantically to save our beautiful brother from sure disaster. This is also when the military found out about our organization and our plight to help a fellow brother. They immediately sent the pig to Germany safe from us. Then they turned around and gave the brother a court martial for being disorderly on station. He was fined $100 and given a bust. He is appealing the verdict at this time.

As you can see this is a crackdown on our organization. Two down and who knows how many more to go.

I went to Philly, my hometown, for help and I also coped some Black Panther Party posters and literature so I could pass them among the brothers on the Base. Now dig this, my Uncle Tom first sargent could not dig the posters of Huey P. Newton and Bobby Seale and the rest of my free Huey posters. He said I was a Communist and so the pressure was on me and the rest of the members of our organization.

March 31, another pig called a brother a nigger and again the Blacks chalked up another victory. He offed this beast but good and I was a witness to this. When it all went down the pig could not get out of this, so they punished him and my Uncle Tombee first sarge had to prove to the pig that he was not prejudiced so he got me on a trumped up charge of kicking the pig. He also hates the Black Panther Movement. So this was another way at getting me for all my beautiful Panther literature. Also with forty-one days left in the service, the got a shipment for me to Thailand.

It is very obvious the pig is trying desperately to get rid of any Black G.I. who opposes this racist system. Blacks should be exempt from the military service, I even hate the very uniform I wear. But with all this against us, we still fight for impartial justice at Plattsburgh Air Force Base for all these racial cases here.

I want to thank you very much, brothers and sisters out there on the West Coast, for lending me an ear in our struggle for freedom.

I would also like to take this opportunity to praise the Black Panther Party for your never-ending work to free Huey Newton and George Murray. Also little Bobby Hutton and John Huggins' deaths were not in vain because as sure as I am writing this letter, all Black people will soon be liberated. I, too, am coming from a Third World thing. Keep up the good work.

Yours truly,
A supporter of the Black Panther Party



THERE HAS BEEN AND ALWAYS WILL BE BLACK PANTHERS

"In these times of war tension and rising Facist danger the government, in order to stifle the voice of the left and to terrorize generally the working class and particularly the Negro People, proceeds from one judicial outrage to another."

The above statement was made in mid-December, 1954.

The author of the quote was a Black man, William L. Patterson, born in San Francisco, August 27, 1891. On his 60th birthday the crack warrior, strategist and organizer of the Black liberation and working class movements said;

"I view the future with great confidence and am glad to be at the battle front." He used the occasion to say also, "In my time, I have seen only a conspiracy to violate the rights of Negroes by every branch of the government. I have heard the anguished cries of the oppressed in colonial lands. But the continuation of this policy by the white ruling class is doomed by recent events in Asia, Africa and at home. People will put an end to their own exploitation."

The lynch-minded in Congress and the ruling class accelerated their campaign, of "harrassment and intimidation', to do "Pat", (as he is still effectionately known to thousands of people.) in.

He attended public schools in California. As he grew into manhood he worked in the kitchens of Southern Pacific dining cars, and worked as cook on boats running up and down the Pacific Coast. He saved enough money to enter the University of California. He earned additional money working in factories and at other hard jobs.

"Pat" was suspended from the University of California for his opposition to military training. He was arrested in 1917 for openly contending that "Negroes had noting to gain from this war." Went to New York and worked as longshoreman, meeting Paul Robeson. Worked his way to London and wrote for Labor Party's 'Daily Herald' on Britain's betrayal of the Negro People. Passed his bar examination in New York, joining the law firm of Dyett, Hall and Patterson.

Here was a promising young black well on his way to success in the land of "what is white is right". But things bothered him. He saw daily injustices to his people during his law practice.

And today, he will relate to you how a communist friend would come to his office, argue, discuss, fight with him and "try to beat down my pessimism."

The Sacco-Vanzetti case was a turning point in Patterson's life. He went to Boston and helped picket the State House, amid all the hysteria and terror. He was arrested three times. (Upton Sinclair in his novel, "Boston" describes Patterson's activities during that time.) "Pat" himself has said, "Through that case, I found the Communist Party, and gave up everything else for an extensive study of economics."

He made an extended stay in Europe. Opened the First International Negro Congress in Hamburg, in 1930. Worked with the Negro Welfare Committee in London and Paris. Returned in 1931 to become National Secretary of the International Labor Defense, and in that capacity created international interest and concern over the Scottsboro Case.

He led the world-wide campaign which saved and eventually freed the nine innocent Scottsboro Blacks. As a result of his intensive work in the Scottsboro and Herndon Cases he suffered a serious lung rupture and returned to Europe to recuperate.

In 1938 he was identified with the Midwest Record, a Chicago Newspaper. While there he helped found and build the Abraham Lincoln School, devoted to the social, political and cultural education of adults and persons who could not afford regular college courses.

In 1945 William L. Patterson became National Executive Secretary of the Civil Rights Congress. Taking an active interest in civil rights cases even before assuming this post, he was key in the legal defense and mobilization of public protest in such cases as the innocent Trenton Six:

He helped save them from the terrible death their official framers had prepared for them. CRC won them a second trial which saw four of the innocent young men freed; He also led the historic people's movement for the Martinsville Seven in Virginia, and headed the glorious defense of Willie McGee in Mississippi — eight Blacks, innocent of rape, whose lives were taken on a charge for which no white man in either state had ever been given the death penalty. He fought for Mrs. Rosa Lee Ingram, Fletcher Mills, Paul Washington other cases in which Black People were unjustly framed for a variety of trumped-up charges, both in the North and the South.

On August 3 and 4, 1950, Patterson appeared under subpoena before a House of Representatives Select Committee on Lobbying Activities. He stated that the Civil Rights Congress was not a lobbying organization and that the demands of the Committee were both beyond its power and unconstitutional.

On Nov. 27, 1950 a Federal Grand Jury indicted Patterson on charges of committing a contempt of the House of Representatives by supposedly refusing in Aug. 1950 to give the "Select Committee" the books and records of the CRC DEALING WITH ORGANIZATE finances. Patterson became the first Black man in U.S. History ever to be indicted for contempt of Congress. His trial was set for April 4, 1951.

The subpoena had come at a time when the Committee had refused to subpoena some 21 major corporations refusing to produce records which might reveal lobbying activities. Nothing was done to force the unwilling corporations to turn over their records.

Patterson did not refuse to turn over any CRC records which might show activities at the nation's capital. Rather, he refused to present financial records which had no connections with lobbying but which would reveal the names, for example, of Black People in the South who had contributed small amounts of money to the defense of Willie McGee and other victims of legal lynching.

His principled position enraged Rep. Henderson Lovelace Lanham. Patterson presented instant after instant in his indictment of the lynch system. Lanham screamed: "Georgia never lynched a nigger!"

"How many Negroes have you lynched?" Pat asked, and continued, "Georgia, is a lyncher state."

"You're a god-damned liar!" Lanham shouted.

"If there is any liar around here," Patterson replied, "it's you."

Lanham had to be restrained, but he broke loose lunged at Patterson shrieking: "You god-damned black son-of-a-bitch!" The armed pigs fingered their weapons and Lanham started to kick Patterson but Patterson looked at him and he adjourned the hearing. Later Lanham told newsmen: "We got to keep the black apes down."

The House of Representatives and the leaders of the Democratic Party have never tendered an apology to the Black People or to Patterson. Their condoning of this insult to the millions of black Americans is a measure of the government respect for Negroes, then, and now.

Pat was given 90 days for failing to produce the non-existant records. When he had served his time, agents were waiting for him outside the Danbury, Conn., Federal prison and he was slapped with a new summons from the Eisenhower administration.

He had said, in a sworn statement: "If the action of the government were in goodfaith, the bureau of internal revenue would have proceeded with its tax deficiency action instead of seeking a contempt order. However the government seeks to victimize me because of my fight for Constitutional liberties generally and particularly for the dignity of the Negro People."

The campaign to Free Patterson from the "perpetual jeopardy" reached international proportions. Ministers and Union leaders joined in with the people and from the West Coast the International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union protested the jailing of the CRC executive.

The Union's international executive board voted unanimously Dec. 4, 1954 to send a letter to Atty. General Herbert Brownell. The letter was signed by Louis Goldblatt, secretary treasurer of the board and said in part:

"The executive board of ILWU is particularly concerned about the dangerous precedent to all membership organizations of Mr. Patterson's jailing for contempt of court because of his refusal to surrender the names of the members and donors to the Civil Rights Congress.

Mr. Patterson's jailing after he had served 90 days the same charge is contrary to every democratic and legal tradition of our land.

We urge the immediate release of Mr. Patterson and the end of this perpetual jeopardy."

After serving all but 21 days of the second 90 day sentence Patterson was released. The warrior came out of jail and began the struggle to fee those he had left behind (Smith Act victims and the persecuted throughout the land). "WE WIN . . . BECAUSE WE FIGHT," was what the warrior said.

Chicago Panthers busted

By Clark Kissinger
Guardian Midwest Bureau

Chicago

Three members of the Black Panther party were arrested here April 11 in a classic case of police provocation and entrapment.

Police agents sought out several Panthers and offered to sell them two submachine guns. Two Panthers met the agents on a deserted street on Chicago's South Side to check out the scene. Suddenly flood lights concealed in trucks at either end of the block blazed on, and the Panthers found themselves surrounded by 79 cops, federal agents and members of the gang intelligence and red squads. The operation was directed by Capt. Thomas Lyons, head of the Chicago Police Intelligence Division, who was flying overhead in a helicopter.

Bystander busted

The two Panthers heroically captured by the 79 cops were Merrill Harvey, west-suburban defense captain, and Michael White. Meanwhile, several miles away other cops busted Panther Field Secretary Nathaniel Junior at the Illinois Central Railroad Station. Cops claimed he was guarding money in a rented locker that was to be the payoff for the guns. Also arrested at the station was William McClinton Jr., a black bystander who was thrown to the floor and had a gun held at his head.

The three black Panthers and McClinton were taken before U.S. Commissioner James Balog, who set bail on Harvey and Junior at $65,000 each and bail on White at $75,000. McClinton initially was held for $10,000, but was later released on his own recognizance. In January, Commissioner Balog released two white men arrested for selling machineguns on $4000 bail.

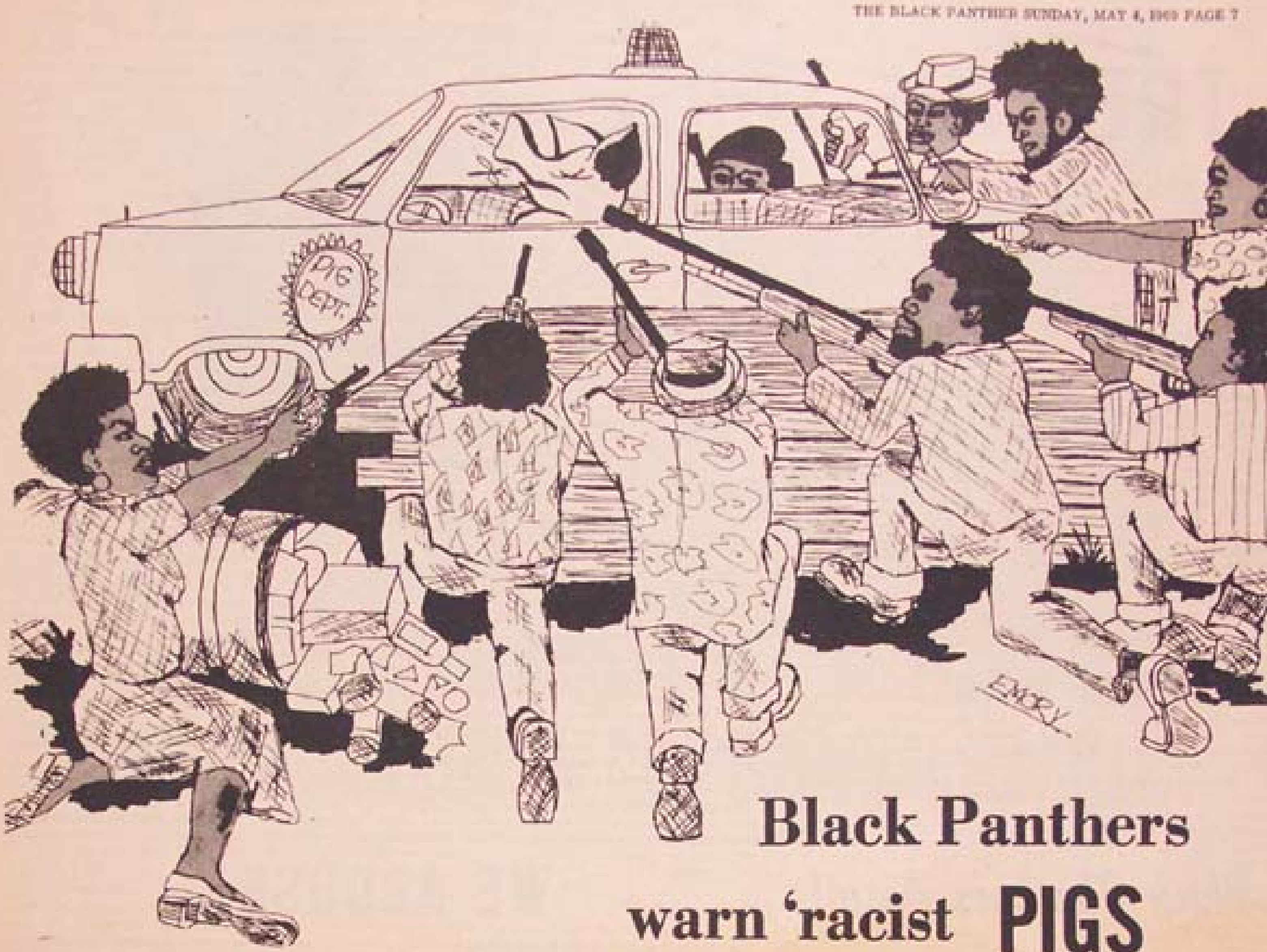


FRED HAMPTON

This latest bust, evidently part of a nationwide attack on the Panthers, was preceded by a series of arrests of Panther officials here on lesser charges. On April 2, Illinois Defense Minister Bobby Rush was arrested in south-suburban Robbins after a shooting incident with which he was not connected. The power structure took advantage of Rush's accidental presence in Robbins to run newspaper stories about warfare between the Panthers and "a rival street gang." Rush's bail was set at $10,000.

Then on April 7, Illinois Panther Chairman Fred Hampton was convicted by a jury of stealing 400 ice cream bars. The state claimed that, in an incident a year ago, Hampton attacked and choked an ice cream truck driver while kids stole the goodies. Hampton is out on $2,000 bail while the case is being appealed, but faces one to 20 years in jail if the conviction is upheld.

On April 9, after the arraignment of Panther Bobby Seale and seven antiwar activists on conspiracy charges here (see article, page 5), the Panthers held an evening rally of about 700 persons, cosponsored by several leftist community groups and SDS. Both at the rally and at a press conference on April 11, the Panthers reiterated their position that an attack on the Panthers is an attack on the people, that the Panthers are the vanguard of the revolutionary struggle in America today and that "anybody who tries to put away a Panther in Illinois is going to be in one hell of a lot of trouble." Both Seale and Hampton alluded to a massive Panther organizing drive in Chicago this summer, prior to Seale's trial, which will begin in September.



Black Panthers warn 'racist PIGS

The Black Panther Party of Illinois has warned "racist policemen" to end alleged acts of brutality in ghetto areas or face the wrath of the black community.

Fred Hampton, the party's deputy chairman, issued the statement Thursday after charging that police had ransacked the headquarters of the Black Disciples youth gang on Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

Hampton said Englewood District policemen were harassing the Black Disciples "because they are no longer a street gang and because they have a coalition with the Black Panther Party."

BLACK DISCIPLES member Robert Allen, 20, of 8014 S. Justine, accused police of beating him and another member of the group while wrecking their headquarters at 444 W. 63d St. The officers were investigating a report that police in a squad car had been fired upon.

Hampton said at a press conference in Panther headquarters, 2350 W. Madison, that police have a national conspiracy to eliminate the Black Panthers "because we are revolutionaries, and because we serve and protect the people."

He warned that "racist policemen must withdraw immediately from the black community and cease their wanton murder and brutality, or face the wrath of an armed people."

HAMPTON said a community police patrol will be created to "protect black people from the pigs" (police). But the patrol, he said, will not be set up until after the Black Panthers have established free health clinics in Chicago.

"We have a system of priorities," Hampton said. "We have already set up our free-breakfast-for children program. The health project will be next, and then we will get to the community police patrol."

The Panther leader said his organization fed more than 1,100 hungry youngsters ... week at Better Boys Foundation, 1512 S. Pulaski. Some 1,100 children were fed through Wednesday of this week at a new South Side free-breakfast center, 500 E. 37th St.

A North Side breakfast center is to be opened Monday at 1400 N. Cleveland, Hampton said.

MEANWHILE, three Black Panthers were indicted by a federal grand jury Thursday on charges of illegally trying to buy firearms from a federal agent posing as an illicit gun dealer.

U.S. District Judge Joseph Sam Perry raised bond from $75,000 to $100,000 Thursday on one of the three, Michael White, 22, of 7300 W. 64th St., Argo.

Nathaniel Junior, 22, of 7501 W. 6th St., Argo, and Merrill D. Harvey, 22, of 7418 W. 66th St., Argo, both received a reduction of their $65,000 bonds to $5,000 recognizance bonds.

PIGS MOVE ON SEATTLE PARTY

On the night of April 11, the Black Panther Party was giving a party which had been well advertised to the community. The party was a fund raising party, for the purpose of having the phones turned back on. Our bill being over $370 showed us that the pigs had been messing with our phones. So in order to have the phones turned back on we needed some emergency funds. The party was scheduled to start at 9:00 but no one came until later on in the night. About 10:30 eight pig cars (4 marked and 4 unmarked) ALONG WITH TOW TRUCKS AND WAGON, PULLED UP TO THE AI WHERE THE PARTY WAS BEIN The pigs knocked on the door and asked for Elmer Dixon (Deputy asked for Elmer Dixon (Deputy Field Marshal) who was not there at the time. They said that they had received a complaint about a noisy party, and a lot of cars blocking traffic. But to their surprise, there were only three people in the apartment at the time. The pigs were so surprised, they looked like someone had rammed sticks up their butts. Also, the neighbors were outside at this time wondering what all the confust

confusion was about. It was apparent that there were no complaints made, because all the neighbors were just as surprised as everyone else. Having found no people to abuse, and crying because their plan to bust me (Elmer Dixon) didn't work, I laughed and said"Go back to shovelling your crap, you dumb pigs!!

panther power to the vanguard

RANGERS TURN CAPITALIST

(FRED) -- The Black P Stone Rangers have announced their involvement in 2 business ventures this week. In connection with the Concerned Veterans of Vietnam, the Rangers have formed a group called the Black Alliance. The first activity of the group was the washing and sand-blasting of buildings defaced by writing. The Black Alliance then announced they were setting up a business whose profits would be split 50-50 between the Rangers and the Vets. The business will be the sale of sweatshirts, caps, posters, post cards, and Christmas cards emphasizing "Black is Beautiful." The Merchandise will be available at the Black P Stone youth center at 1468 E. 67 and the Vets' offices at 6825 S. Stone. The Rangers will use their sales profits to support the youth center. The Vets announced they will work to establish social and cultural youth centers in black communities and major cities throughout the country.

The Rangers also announced their joint venture with the Youth Development Corporation in the opening of a 25¢ serve yourself car wash at 314 W. Garfield Blvd. on 3/29. The Corporation has sent invitations to the opening to Nixon "in appreciation of your invitation to the Inaugural Ball and Deep interest in BLACK CAPITALISM." Sen. Percy, Mayor Daley, Supt. of Police Conlisk, head of the Gang Intelligence Unit Capt. Buckney, Ald. Fred Hubbard and Edward Burke jr.

The car wash is located on an abandoned Humble Oil station lot which was given to Firman House for community development. The Corporation is renting it from the settlement House. The Youth development Corporation got started with a $4,500 loan and a $5,000 donation. It consists of 7 Rangers, 2 businessmen, 1 minister, and 1 youth worker. The next ventures will be a laundromat and a small manufacturing or assembly firm capable of employing 50 to 100 youths.

TO: NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS FROM: JERSEY CITY BRANCH BLACK PANTHER PARTY

SUBJ: AGENTS PROVOCATEURS

Any member who violates the rules of the Black Panther Party or fails to adhere to the discipline or anyone who engages in counter-revolutionary actions is subject to summary expulsion, and so it is with the following. These people are no longer members of the Black Panther Party.

AGENTS PROVOCATEURS

Agent provocateur and degenerate CARL NICHOLAS (alias Capt. Nicholas) has been prostituting the Party and the people in Newark, New Jersey.

Marvin (MOJO) Johnson, who thinks that he is safe from the wrath of the people -- he's in protective custody -- will be utterly destroyed, in spite of the gangster political "Kenny Machine".

Aaron "Jones", simple m------ f----- will share the fate of "MOJO" for his part in collaborating with the Jersey City pig gangster machine. These two bootlicking traitors have led to the imprisonment of the Jersey City "3".

The Party will no longer tolerate these counter-revolutionary m------ f-----s, who by their deeds are harming the interest of the Party and the People. These degenerates have aroused the anger of the people, "the people will kill them, and we gonna kill every m-----f----- who went along with their a--!"

EXPELLED

1. Donna McCrodie
2. Joseph Cypress
3. Andrew Parker
4. Gregory Johnson
5. Maria Finley
6. Andrea Owens
7. Hayward Hawkins
8. William Best
9. Edna Malone
10. Barbara Cunningham
11. Jeanett Cunningham
12. Lionel Richardson
13. Frankie Jeanette
14. Dennis Harrington
15. Jeffrey Stanberry
16. Penny Lewis
17. Nelson Shorter
18. David Bell
19. John (Tank) Maxwell

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD PARTY
AND LONG LIVE THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE

FREE THE THREE



JIMMY YORK
DEPUTY CHAIRMAN NEW JERSEY

The pigs of the power structure have reacted in Jersey City in the same fashion as they have reacted across the country in utilizing the institutions of power at their disposal, the racist arms of colonial oppression - the pig police departments and the pig courts of colonial injustice in a frantic attempt to stem the tidal wave of revolutionary political organization that has been embodied in the Black Panther Party.

Just as they used the racist Oakland pig department to frame and imprison Brother Huey P. Newton, Minister of Defense, just as they used the racist California Adult Authority in their attempt to deprive Brother Eldridge Cleaver, Minister of Information of his freedom and just as it used the racist New York pig department to frame and imprison the New York "21" on charges so ludicrously trumped that it is difficult to consider them seriously, so have they used the Jersey City pig department to imprison and maintain the imprisonment of the Jersey City "3" on charges dreamed up by racist "law and order" Whelan, chief political gangster and the peoples number one enemy so that he might have an issue on which to campaign for re-election to the mayoral seat.

The three political prisoners, Isaiah "Dueberry" Rowley, Charles "Count" Hicks, and Victor Perez are now being held in the Hudson County Jail in Jersey City with a combined ransom of $85,000 for an alleged machine gun attack on a Jersey City pigpen. Immediately after the alleged attack, the Chief of Police issued a statement claiming that 3 white men were seen speeding away from the scene of the attack. Later the report was changed to 3 Black men and still later to 3 Black Panthers. The 3 brothers were subsequently framed and stripped of all rights because of their political ideology, the revolutionary impact of their work in the oppressed Black Community and the diligence with which they worked for the Black Panther Party and the people. The pigs of the power structure were afraid of the political consequences of these brothers working hand-in-hand with the people. In a frantic effort to remove them from the scene, they dug up 2 agents of the pig power structure, Marvin Johnson and John Maxwell, 2 enemies of the people to say that these 3 brothers were responsible for the attack. Using all the power at their disposal, they were able to force the colonial courts to deny all efforts to have the bail reduced and at the same time put political pressure on all bail bondsmen to "lay off". As a result, the full $85,000 must be raised in order to free them. "THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE IS STRONGER THAN THE PIG'S TECHNOLOGY"...Huey P. Newton

The Jersey City 3 were the servants of the people and now the people must unite to make their demand heard: "FREE THE THREE and all other political prisoners or face the wrath of the armed people".

The number of political prisoners in this country is increasing daily and it all points to a national conspiracy coordinated by the chief pig in Washington to sap the leadership and organizational abilities of the vanguard Party, to prevent the Black Panther Party from radicalizing and revolutionizing Black Communities, to prevent the Black Panther Party from welding a splintered and sectionalized nation into a unified whole with specific political objectives and backed by organized guns and force which could use its power to make demands upon the system and deal a political consequence if its demands are not met.

But, Chairman Mao Tse-tung, a man who led a successful people's revolution in the People's Republic of China and a man who is revered as an international symbol of liberation by all oppressed people struggling to free themselves from colonial oppression, tells us that "It is bad as far as we are concerned if a person, a political party, an army or a school is not attacked by the enemy, for in that case it would definitely mean that we have sunk to the level of the enemy. It is good if we are attacked by the enemy, since it proves that we have drawn a clear line of demarcation between ourselves and the enemy. It is still better if the enemy attacks us wildly and paints us as utterly black and without a single virtue; it demonstrates that we have not only drawn a clear line of demarcation between the enemy and ourselves but achieved a great deal in our work."

The Black Panther Party has been under attack by the enemy since the day Brother Huey and Brother Bobby first organized it in Oakland. It has been under attack since Brother Huey boldly confronted the pigs and told them, "You're not going to brutalize me and I'm going to stop you from brutalizing my people. You've got your gun and I got mine. If you start shooting motherfucker I'm shooting back."

The Black Panther Party has been under attack by the enemy and they have attacked us wildly and painted us as utterly black and without a single virtue demonstrating that we have drawn a clear line of demarcation between ourselves and the enemy and that there can be no compromise between us. The pigs say that we are a threat to the American Way of Life and we say "right on" for that is perhaps the most honest assessment they are capable of making. The Black Panther Party has been, is and will continue to be a threat to the American Way of Life as long as that way of life is inimical to the well-being of the majority of the people of this earth.

We are a threat to the American way of oppression, of colonialism and imperialist war. And we will continue to be a threat until all power is seized from the blood-stained hands of the imperialists and returned to the people.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD PARTY
AND LONG LIVE THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE!!

Black Panthers Assail Pigs For Sacking Disciples' Office

Members of the Black Panther Party at week's end expressed their indignation over the Tuesday wrecking of the offices of the Black Disciples Inc., at 444 W. 63d st.

Fred Hampton, deputy chairman of the party, told the Daily Defender:

"On April 15, the Black Disciples' offices were ransacked by a group of 40 "frantic fanatics," posters of the Black Panther Party were ripped from the walls immediately upon their entry.

"It is obvious why these buffoons acted as they did. It was because the Disciples are no longer a street gang. It is



because they have a working coalition with the Black Panther Party, and because they are no longer enemies of the people and agents of the police pigs.

"They no longer harass the community, but are attempting to serve and protect the people, and foster economic and political stability and growth."

Hampton went on to say that the community must speak out in protest against such acts, and support the Disciples in their efforts to provide legitimate service to the community, or other street groups would not leave violence and crime and come into the community as allies.

"If the community does not let the 'pigs know,'" he said, "that it will not allow this to happen, other groups will not change their direction for fear of destruction. The community must support these groups in their efforts to serve."

He observed that as long as the Disciples and other such groups were committing crimes and harassing the people they were relatively unharmed by police.

"We, the Black Panthers," Hampton said, "are serving notice that they must stop their oppression or we will start shooting."

WE ACCUSE

We accuse the New York Times and its dead president Sulzberger, who sat on Columbia's Board of Trustees with D.A. Hogan, and its director, Eugene Black, director also of Chase Manhattan Bank, exploiter of the people of South Africa and the world, and director of the Ford Foundation, social engineer bulldozing against the people's interest, and New York Times reporter Morris Kaplan;
and the New York Daily News and its reporters Edward Kirkman and Henry Lee;
and the American Broadcasting Company and the banks with which it interlocks: Chase Manhattan, Manufacturer's Hanover Trust, first National City, Marine Midland Trust, Chemical Bank New York Trust, East River Savings Bank;
and the New York Post and its reporters Mike Pearlman and Larry Kleinman;
and CBS, and NBC, and all the others,
of plotting to lie to the people of New York City about the Black Panther Party.

Ignoring their own stated principles of "objectivity" and their legal obligations not to prejudice the case of defendants before trial, the bourgeois media told the people of New York that the police "SMASH PANTHER BOMB PLOT!"

They beamed District Attorney Hogan's lies into people's homes and headlined them in every copy of their papers.

Yet the reporters of the bourgeois media know that Hogan has made a series of bizarre conspiracy charges against members of the Black Panther Party in the past months, and although he succeeds in keeping Panthers in jail for months under astronomical ransoms, he has never succeeded in convicting a single Panther. His office is frequently forced to admit after many postponements, that there is no evidence on which to prosecute the case.

For example, last month Hogan had Joan Bird, Lumumba Shakur and Clark Squires arrested for "conspiracy to murder," and delayed and delayed while the defense tried to get a hearing. His office was finally forced to admit that they had no evidence against Shakur and Squires, and the charges were dropped. Yet this same charge has been incorporated anew into the indictment.

The reporters of the bourgeois media know that in that instance, Panther Party member Joan Bird was brutally beaten by police in the 19 hours between her seizure and arraignment. The reporters were in the court, they saw her bruised face and they heard defense attorneys name Patrolman Ronald McKenzie as the pig who beat Joan Bird. But they never mentioned this in a single article or news broadcast.

And the bourgeois media knows that the Black Panther Party was unable to raise bail quickly for Joan Bird and other members seized by by the pigs. But the pig press printed the pig's phantasmagoria about the illicit riches of the Black Panther Party -- about money pouring into their coffers from Cuba, from China, from stolen Youth Corps poverty funds. And they published these stories with the certain knowledge that they could not be true.

And WORSE, the bourgeois media has consistently deceived the people about the politics and program of the Black Panther Party. There are no reports through the bourgeois media that the Panthers have said "we want land, bread, housing, education, clothing, justice and peace." That the Panthers have a 10-point political program; that they are working for implementation of that program; that they are establishing free breakfast programs for school children, financed by the business men who exploit the black community; that in San Francisco, they provide free breakfasts for 2,000 children each morning; that the Panthers do this so that people may see a concrete act of socialism.

The bourgeois press has without exception lied to the people about the fact that the Panthers are not "racists", that the Panthers call "brother" and "sister" those white people who work for the revolution.

We do not accuse the bourgeois media of careless error--we accuse them of careful deception.

The men who control the vast media corporations know that the program of the Black Panther Party threatens them. They know that the implementation of the Black Panther Party program means the loss of their TV stations, their radio stations, their newspapers, their banks, and their corporate interest around the world. They know that socialism in America means that the capitalists lose control over the wealth and production that belongs to the people.

And the men who control the vast media corporations realize that people tend to know the truth when they see it. So they hire reporters who will pander to white people's racism rather than their need to know the truth. They corrupt reporters. They destroy their profession.

And they lie to the people so that the people will not take from them what is the people's.

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THANK YOU

Just a word of appreciation and a sincere Thank You!

For the black prostitute that was arrested April 17, 1969. The Black Panthers heard I had a son. Collected a box of food and it was left for my son.

Love You
Beverly Simpson



THE ROLE OF THE A REVOLUTIONARY WOMAN

role of revolutionary woman

The subject of the role of the revolutionary woman has been a keen topic of great controversy and concern. All kinds of various view points have been given--and all of them by men. The time has come for this subject of the role of the revolutionary woman to be discussed and dealt with from the inside out--by a woman.

Having been cloistered within the confines of racist america and having on active experience in violent revolution, we women have had to relate directly to the advice of men as to what our role should be. Now we have examples to follow from women who have fought in revolution for the liberation of their people. We have the examples of the Chinese women, the Vietnamese women and the Cuban wome. All of whom have us one basic thing; that our role is to fight in and participate in this revolution on an equal footing with our men. They have proved through practice that (1) it is a necessity that we be given equal footing and equal rank according to acquired abilities, (2) it can be done without the emotional hangups concerning our sex (female) in direct relation to theirs (male). We would like to be regarded as PANTHERS not females (Pantherettes), just Panthers.

It has been said that all revolutions have to be fought by three groups of people; men, women and children. Many sisters have not been allowed to participate in the many facets of revolution. Just as there are "rally" panthers, the brothers have allowed the sisters to become "desk" panthers by not educating them to what they can and should be doing in the streets and in the field. Learning through doing is the best way for the sisters to get active knowledge of technical equipment and tactical strategy. The Cuban and Vietnamese women have fought side by side with their men and the Panther women would do well to follow that example without being restricted because of their sex. It will be the direct fault of the brothers when sisters become conditioned to the easy life and pampering of just doing office work, and they are unable to adjust to the hard life of fighting. By just receiving office work, the sisters will turn into their ultrafeminine counterparts and will be unsuitable for revolution.

Some of the men of the Party still haven't had an understanding of Papa's book (Eldridge Cleaver-Soul on Ice) because they are still trying to hang the women up by their own feelings of inferiority. You tell us that we are the backbone of the Party and yet you won'g allow us to put this into practice for fear that if you really help us get politically educated, we might learn a little more than you do, or may shoot a little straighter. This is a hangup the brothers will have to overcome because while they are taking the time to do this, something is left undone - the political education of the sisters.

We sisters are more than willing to do our part, all we need is a little guidance on the proper techniques and a little free rein to carry out our own initiative.

BLACK POWER TO BLACK PEOPLE
PANTHER POWER TO THE VANGUARD

June Culberson
Southern California Chapter

THE FORT JACKSON EIGHT

Military hearings began Tuesday, April 22, 9:00 am, at Fort Jackson, S.C., on cases of eight antiwar GI's.

Eight members of GI's united against the war, face charges of breach of peace, disrespect, disobeying an order, and holding an illegal meeting.

Habeus Corpus petition seeks release of soldier clients from stockade and barracks arrest.

Attorneys suggest court martial of Col. Maertens, 4th C.S.T. Brigade Commander.

Article 32 hearings began Tuesday morning, April 22, in the cases of eight members of GI's United Against the War in Vietnam at Fort Jackson. The Army's hearing, which will probably last all week, will review all the evidence and recommend the steps to be taken next. Defense counsel has asked that the hearings be open to the press and public, but the authorities have not yet issued a decision on this. In either case, a spokesman of the GI Civil Liberties Defense Committee will be availabte for questioning by the press in Columbia after each day's session. Telephone 803-253-5212.

GI's United is a group of soldiers, mostly Black and Puerto Rican, who have been circulating a petition and holding regular discussions on the war since late January. Eight activists were arrested following an antiwar meeting on the barracks lawn the evening of March 20; over 100 troops attended the peaceful meeting.

Pvts. Joe Cole, Andrew Pulley, Jose Rudder and Delmar Thomas are still in the stockade, and Pvts. Curtis Mays, Dominick Duddie, Thomas Woodfin and Edilberto Chaparro are under barracks arrest. Their attorneys, David Rein, Leonard Boudin, Howard Moore, Peter Rindskopf, and Thomas Broadwater, are seeking their release from confinement through a habeus corpus petition filed in federal court. The suit asks the Army to produce in court not only the imprisoned GI's but also the agent-informer-provocateur John Huffman and all recordings and notes made of meetings and conversations. A preliminary hearing on the habeus corpus writ was scheduled for Tuesday afternoon, April 22.

The attorneys have challenged the legality of pre-trial confinement through military channels as well. In a letter to the Secretary of the Army, David Rein on behalf of all the defense counsel suggests that Col. Thomas Maertens, commanding officer of the 4th Combat Support Training Brigade, is liable under Article 97 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, which provides that any person "who, except as provided by law, apprehends, arrests or confines any person shall be punished as a court martial may direct."



THE FORT JACKSON EIGHT: (left to right) Andrew Pulley, Jose Rudder (shadow), Delmar Thomas, Edilberto Chaparro, Tommy Woodfin, Dominick Duddie, Joe Cole, Curtis E. Mays.

Meanwhile, support for the Fort Jackson Eight is pouring in from around the country. Telegrams and messages have been received from student groups such as the Harvard striking students and the Black Student Union at San Francisco State from professors and attorneys, from antiwar leaders, and from other active-duty GI's. Over 5,000 signatures have been collected on petitions demanding the release of the Fort Jackson Eight.

In a related development, GI's at Fort Bragg, Nort Carolina have announced the formation of their own GI's United Against the War in Vietnam. They have adopted the Statement of Aims issued by GI's united in Februry and have declared their full support for the struggle of the Fort Jackson group. Fort Bragg GI's United have already sent a sheaf of signed support petitions to the Commanding General at Fort Jackson are beginning to circulate a petition demanding a meeting on their own post.

The Fort Bragg group, like that at Fort Jackson, has a majority of Afro-American and Puerto Rican soldiers; one difference, however, is that many of the Fort Bragg antiwar GI's have recently returned from a tour of duty in Vietnam.

THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY AUTHORIZES LEADERSHIP IN SCANDINAVIA

FREE HUEY
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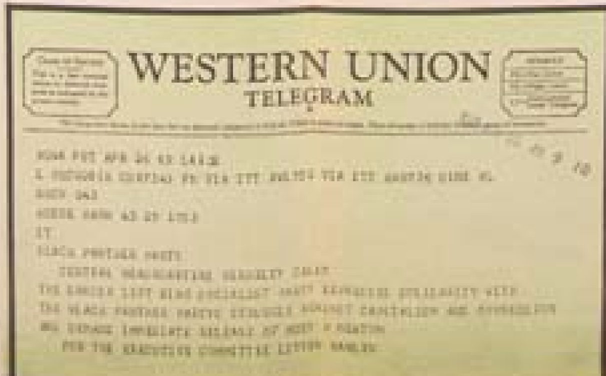




NATIONWIDE RALLIES TO FREE HUEY

AN INTERVIEW WITH CHARLES GARRY





WESTERN UNION
TELEGRAM



BOYCOTT STANDARD OIL

RICHMOND, Calif. -- Students and workers in the San Francisco Bay Area have launched a nationwide boycott of Chevron Chemicals and other products of Standard Oil of California.

Members of Local 1-561 of the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers Union, are struggling against the powerful oil company for the rights of the union movement in California -- to retain the only union shop in the Standard empire.

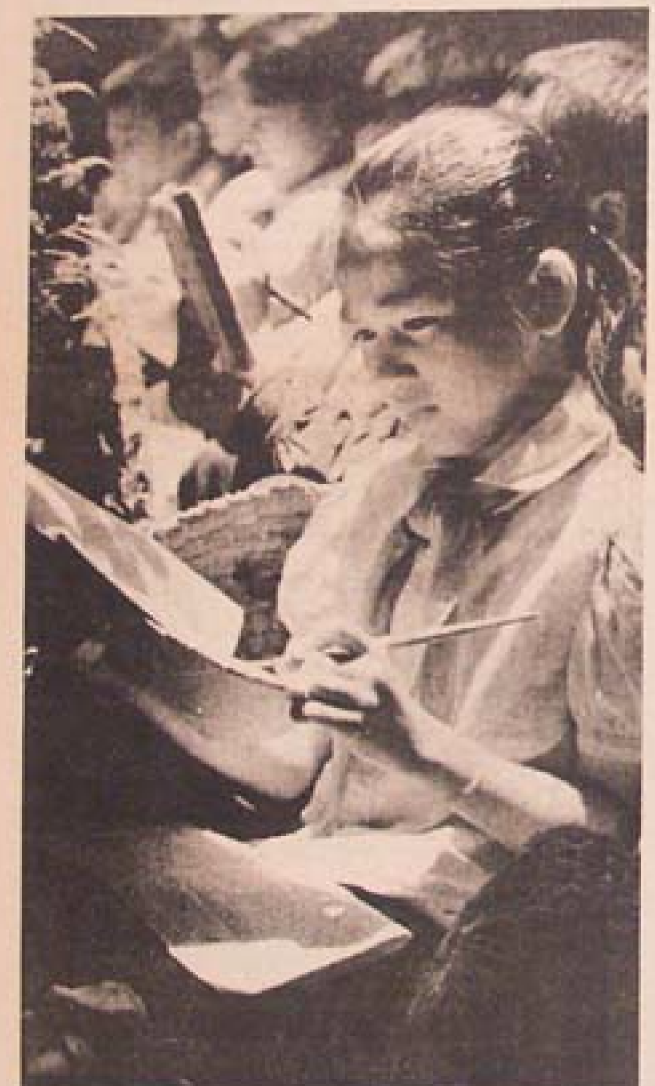
The company threatened to bring in scabs to replace striking workers, so the union men have returned to work while there is hope that a strong consumer boycott will put the squeeze on the company.

The strike and boycott are particularly significant because of the collaboration between students and workers which developed on the picket lines. This comradely contact between workers and radical students -- many of them active in the struggles at San Francisco State and Berkeley -- has been particularly alarming for California's ruling class.

At its recent National Council meeting in Austin, Texas, SDS gave full organizational support for the boycott.

Further information on the boycott, including bumper stickers, may be obtained from the Solidarity Committee, P.O. Box 1282, Richmond, Calif. Phone: 415-237-7284.





EDUCATION CONTINUES IN N. VIETNAM DESPITE WAR

In the conditions of the war of destruction waged by the U.S. imperialists, North Viet Nam education has not ceased to develop. At present there are more than 120,000 general education schools all over North Viet Nam. Every village now has its own general education schools of first degree, many villages have their general education schools of second degree and every district has at least a general education school of third degree.

The number of school attendances is more than 6,000,000 including cadres, workers and peasants following supplementary education courses. The number of university and middle-level vocational school students has trebled as compared with the period before the U.S. war of destruction. More than 30 universities and 200 middle-level vocational schools have closely cooperated with various branches and localities in order to promote the training of cadres those who may leave their work to follow a course or may study while at work.

Despite their frenzied bombing attacks against North Viet Nam, the U.S. imperialists have not only suffered ignominious failures on military and political fronts but they have also failed in their maneuver of sabotaging our education work and training of cadres.

SURPRISE ATTACK

—A Short Account of a ZANLA* Guerrilla

After four days of walking and crawling through dense bush without seeing any sign of the enemy, we decided to camp on the perch of a thickly wooded hill just above the Zambezi Escarpment. It was getting dark and we were all feeling thoroughly exhausted. We had walked through swamps, across streams, up and down several hills. Two comrades stood guard, one comrade started roasting the steak of a kudu we had just shot, the rest of us in full combat gear and camouflage, took a well deserved rest. We had hardly slept for two hours when we were awakened by the screech of a low flying Canberra jet-bomber of the Rhodesian Air Force. We were reasonably satisfied that our position had not been spotted because the plane did not return and the thick bush and tall grass provided first class cover. Heavy rains of the previous night had destroyed our trail. We had already taken maximum care to conceal it. However we took no chances and immediately took cover behind boulders and fallen tree trunks. Our advance unit, a few miles ahead of us, radioed that it had spotted a small base camp of Rhodesian soldiers. The camp consisted of three tent houses, four trucks, one troop carrier, and one camouflaged armoured car. We were kept informed of the activities in and around that camp all night and the following day.

Our plan was not to engage the enemy until we had reached our destination, a village twenty miles from where we were. We were all itching for battle and the conditions were more than favourable. Late that afternoon we held a meeting at which a decision to attack that camp was taken. After the attack we were to make a diversionary retreat, and quickly make for our destination.

At about 8.00 p.m. we set out for the camp. We reached the vicinity of the camp at 10.30 p.m. By 11.00 p.m. we had deployed. We were within forty yards of the tent houses. The enemy had posted no sentries round the camp. About a dozen half naked white men, most of them very young, sat round a fire drinking beer, smoking and laughing loudly. For some of our comrades it would be their first taste of battle. A grenade fell into the fire. It went off throwing shrapnel and ashes in all directions. It was followed by a burst of machine gun and automatic rifle fire and more grenades. Our commander cried out "Baya!" We charged with bayonets fixed to finish up the wounded and the dying. We took guns and ammunition. We set the tents on fire and two Land-Rovers. We suffered no casualties while enemy casualties were in excess of twenty.

A day later we heard the following announcement over Radio Rhodesia: "Our security forces have captured more terrorists who offered no resistance. Security forces suffered no casualties. The remainder of the invading gang has been scattered and is being pursued."

We all had a good laugh at such stupid deceptive propaganda of the enemy. The laughter rang in the air while our guerrilla fighters, full of confidence in victory, set out for new battles.

The enemy advances, we retreat; the enemy camps, we harass; the enemy tires, we attack; the enemy retreats, we pursue.

—MAO TSE-TUNG

ALSO THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY TACTICS

MASI SPEAKS AT THE REVOLUTIONARY LABOR CONFERENCE



Power to the people, definately all power to the workers. What we want to do, we definately want to put forth the Black Panther Party's correct ideology and try to make the workers a class for itself instead of a class in itself. But we know that its been tried before. Now that the workers made some attempts that failed, does not mean that the analysis of the class struggle no longer applies. There's many attempts now-a-days to apply any-other kind of analysis, religious analysis, race analysis, all kinds of idealism and metaphysics are being applied to the struggle of the workers including sell-outs, bootlicking ass kissing, back stabbing.

The Panther Party has already implemented in some areas, concrete revolutionary Marxist-Leninist principles, put them into practice to make the workers a class for itself, to make the workers a strong political organ for themselves. Without revolutionary theory, this is impossible. To think that correct revolutionary principles are going to drop out of the sky, or that they're born innate in the mind really borders on the ridiculous. As students say, into a television set.

The Black Panther Party is definately willing to work in corporation to help put into practice anything that will take the workers to the level conscious and organize economic and political struggle. We're not talking about rampant unionism, or separatism by occupation, by race, by salary. We're talking about making the workers a political tool, a real political force because the student movement gets a hell of a lot of publicity, what they like to call the militants and the radicals and the so-called black militant movement gets a hell of a lot of publicity. But it should be quite clear to anybody that has done a little research and has a reasonable amount of practice that only the workers can free the workers. And that to do this the workers will have to become a strong political force with a party based on correct revolutionary principles to guide them.

Now the vanguard position of any political struggle, is not something that's bestowed by the heavens, or snatched up by some lucky opportunists. The vanguard position is objectively earned through struggle and usually organizations or people who earned the vanguard position, only find out about it when they realize that they're wearing out the steps in the jails and the courts. The jailhouse doors are getting rusty from slamming and opening and slamming and opening. There won't be any alternative for the workers except to become a strong militant revolutionary political force. The students cannot free the workers, the workers cannot free the students. Black folks cannot free White folks. White folks cannot free Black folks. The Black Panther Party has a very clear understanding of these concepts. And we say that for all the workers the first point of demarcation which seems to have been forgotten in this country, is that there has to be a correct recognition that the primary struggle is the class struggle. Once this line of demarcation has been departed from the workers usually becom turned on each other, or they become in many cases the champions of reform. With the type of unions that we've had in this country, it's been understandable why this wierd phenomona has come about. Another thing that we would like to make clear in the very beginning, is that we do recognize the need for a degree of self-determination, of self-rule for militant Black workers. This is not in any way to endorse racism. The Party has a very clear line on that point. But there is a need among Blacks, who are the most oppressed and exploited people within the confines of this Babylon they call America to have self-rule, this is not independent rule, independent of others, located geographically together, but self-rule. And there's also an equal need for these Blacks to work in very close working coalition and close communication with their class brothers, regardless of color, regardless of whether you're for or against intermarriage, whether you want to live in Beverly Hills or Watts or Oakland or Washington, D.C., it doesn't make any difference. The need is for a constant maintenance of a correct class line. And there's some unions that profess this in lip-service and then they take it as far as their local community, say Los Angeles, or the San Francisco area. Then these same unions that claim to be workers unions, forget one of the basic Marxist-Leninist principles, which Lenin put down, is that the interest of the local proletariat should be subordinate to the interest of the world proletariat. That's the advent of unionism there, they start selling out their working class brothers all around the world, even on the other side of the city. The Black Panther Party is against this kind of separatism, opportunism, individualism, this very subjective approach to a problem that is in reality a world-wide problem. The workers that catch a collective hell and try to deal with it in an individual manner, we see them as suicidal, non-sensical, and very backwards politically. So when we talk about self-rule this does not negate the need for a very close working coalition with class brothers, because the main problem in the United States is not the race contradictions but the class contradictions. It's made that way by the royal fucking that the working class gets in this country. This is not the exclusive right of any ethnic group in this country. But racism does exist to such a high level in this country, that the people have to deal first on a level that goes from step by step, taking it from a lower to a higher level. There's no need of going into whether or not we think it has to always be like this. No we don't, we hope it doesn't. That the day when the workers will all belong to one working class association, when that day comes we'll all be much happier. But until then that's the way it has to be.

Another point of clarification is the role of the white radical workers. The white radical workers are the ones best suited to fight racism, ignorance and the political backwardness that exists in the white community. We definately cannot expect any working brothers from the Panther Caucusses or DRUM to other Black revolutionary groups to go among the white workers when racism is still so rampant. It would be like myself and these four brothers here going down to clean up the white folks in Mobile, Alabama. Not only would it probably be sheer suvicide, it would be lunacy, it would be an apolitical move, but there is a role. We find that many times the white mother-country radicals among the workers would like to come into the Black community and do their thing or come in among the Black workers and do their thing. The sentiments are beautiful, but it's not very practical at all. For one thing to assume that the Black workers don't have enough brains to take care of themselves, is really a racist fallacy, the manifestation of a real racist attitude. For another the purpose of the working class as a whole can best be served by each going into his own community, because this mosiac that's passed off as a melting pot, this ethnic mosiac is a mixed-up mess. Racism is institutionalized to a degree that it has never been institutionalized in the hostory of mankind, I mean it's bounced off telestar and shot around the world. They pipe it under the ocean in cables, it's in the comic books, it's in Sunday papers, it's in television and radio. So it's rampant idealism to try to ignore this. But it's very foolhardy and politically backwards to ignore the fact that the primary struggle is the class struggle, this goes for Blacks and Whites alike. Now we can start with that basic degree of understanding and we can probably accomplish something.

Another thing that has to be understood is that if we get away from unionism, then the working class group, the group that professes to be for the worker is going to have to have a very concrete and practical platform and program. And I would say that the Black Panther Party say that the Black Panther Party's 10-point Platform and Program exemplifies the type of program that a revolutionary group needs. We're not going to confine ourselves just to the factory and divorce the factory from the community, that's a metaphysical approach, and that's not our theory. I think we'll have a question and answer period later on, so I won't try to take up too much of your time. Thank you.

CONSPIRATORS BLOCK BREAKFAST PROGRESS

The hypocritical preachers and the avaricious businessmen conspired to stop all progress on the community Breakfast for Children program in Sacramento. The preachers refused to answer letters or meet with representatives about the program, because one lackey punk preacher told his congregation that we were quote Communists unquote and that the people shouldn't have anything to do with us. The robbers of our communities (businessmen) gave us the run around about donations and commitments, some even refusing to meet representatives when the come to their places of exploitation (businessmen) These are temporary setbacks by the status quo aimed at defeating our purpose of meeting the peoples basic wants and needs. Chairman Mao says you fight-fail-fight-fail fight until victory is ultimately won. failed to realize that man gains knowledge not only by successes, but also in failures or temporary setbacks, in other words from theory to practice to knowledge and then back to practice (Marxist theor of dialectical materialism). We will continue to establish revolutionary political power for the people, inside the pig pen of Sacramento, where the racist administrators plot their destruction and genocide against the people, as clearly shown in their attempt to let small hungry helpless innocent children starve to deat. We will continue to struggle until there is no longer breath in our bodies, to feed, house, cloth, educate and eventually liberate our people from the claws of this capitalistic monster that has devoured whole races of people around the world.

ALL POWER TO THE DISPOSSESSED PEOPLE

ALL PIGS TO THE SLAUGHTER HOUSE

Lt. of Education, James Mott
Sacramento Branch
Black Panther Party

I KNEW AND YOU KNEW

I KNEW AND, YOU KNEW there was a necessity for a Breakfast for School Children. The avaricious businessman knew, the demagogic politician (despite all of their poverty programs) (for social practice is the criterion of the truth). They knew, the pigs with their muddled-headed selves knew, the pork chop cultural nationalist knew, yet they waddled by just oinking at the people Kids with frail bodies and big eyes walked by crying to the people and the people had a basic need of every human being - food - to sustain life food for themselves and their children. They went to the avaricious businessman, who offered to sell them rotten meat and worm-eaten potatoes for half price (as he oinked in their faces). They went to the demagogic politician who explained (i.e. oink) that just recently a 4.3 million dollar poverty research bill had just been passed and in about three years they could expect (he oinked in their faces) And the pigs who would blow you away (and has) for liberating a bag of beans who shoot you down for taking what's yours in the first goddamn place and those pork chop cultural nationalists who waddled around dripping their swine on the people and firing their bullets of death at brothers in the vanguard party. The Party, the people's revolutionary Party has a 10-point Platform and Program in which it clearly states we want food, not research bills, not rotten meat at half price, not a gun in the ribs, or a bullet in their heads, but food in their bellies. That's what the Vanguard Party has done. That's what Huey has done. We feed kids, now not three years from now because as Eldridge says "now is all that we know we have". So the breakfast is a good think, you know and I know.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
PANTHER POWER TO THE REVOLUTIONARY VANGUARD
FREE HUEY ON MAY 1st

Remember Brother Malcolm



born May 19, 1925 - Assassinated Feb. 21, 1965

A Basic Contradiction in Affluent America:

Hunger in the Land of Plenty



CHICAGO YOUNGSTERS joke with photographer as they enjoy 7 a.m. breakfast provided by the Illinois Black Panther Pary in its breakfast for schoolchildren program which is being pushed in ghettos across the country.

By Skip Bessette
(Black Press International)

All across the nation, police have a 24-hour alert on for the Black Panthers. This alert has resulted in numerous attacks on the Panthers, the cold-blooded murder of some and the jailing of others—including Black Panther Party leader Huey P. Newton, currently being held in a California prison.

HOWEVER, frequent attacks on them in California, New York and other cities where Panther chapters have formed have failed to stop the young men and women who make up this new breed Black rights group from working to bring a better life to their people.

While police and establishment newspapers try to characterize the Panthers as "Black anarchists," the party is working hard to promote programs which are designed to help the "people of America" to take charge of their own destinies and free themselves from the blood-thirsty grip of the world exploiters.

"Power to the people" is a Black Panther by-word. It suggests that corrupt politicians, crooked police and blood-lusting businessmen should be divested of the reins of power. The people, say the Panthers, must be the masters of the world.

EVEN AS PANTHER leaders travel the country and other parts of the world, offering their help in organizing the inevitable struggle for government in the interest of people, their local chapters are busy building programs which seek to solve problems created by the current profit-responsive government of the United States.

It is no secret that the United States government could wipe out poverty in America if it wanted to do so. It is also no secret that the same government does little to even attempt to ease the problem. Instead, little children are left to go hungry while fat Congressmen divide up the spoils of the latest "defense" program and vote themselves pay raises.

The Panthers, unable to stop the Congressmen, have instituted a program which hopes to at least feed some of the hungry children—so that their aching bellies might be eased enough to allow them to get through a school day without being torn by the pains of hunger.

ALTHOUGH THE Black Panther breakfast for children plan is operating in many American cities, efforts on the South and West Sides of Chicago illustrate the thrust of the program. There, most of the work is carried out by high school and college students who rise with the dawn and go to feed their hungry little brothers and sisters before continuing on to classes.

A driving rain greeted us when we left for Chicago's West Side Better Boy's Foundation, 1512 S. Pulaski. The cold rain beat bitterly against the windows showing rows of tables with scores of elementary school children seated hungrily around them.

Inside, Chicago chapter Deputy Minister of Labor Yvonne King—a lovely young woman who wore a purposeful look—explained that "the children are fed hot meals—toast, eggs, milk, beef bacon, oatmeal, grits and fruits." It was obvious that the children approved.

"THE PROGRAM was created in Black Panther Party headquarters in Berkeley, California," Miss King continued. "It was realized that there are many oppressed children going to school hungry throughout the country. This program was clearly one of the needs of the people and the Black Panther Party is here to serve the people's needs."

As she spoke, more children came in through the door—shaking rain off themselves and finding space at the tables where other Panther Party members were serving them. Despite the number of children present, the room was quiet except for good-natured joking between the Panther members and the children who seemed to regard them as some kind of benevolent big brothers.

"Hunger among schoolchildren illustrates one of the basic contradictions in American society," Miss King pointed out. "America is one of the richest nations in the world, able to send countless numbers of rockets into space at the drop of a dollar, yet people are starving.

"WE ARE SHOWING the people that their children can be fed free."

Miss King estimated that the breakfast for schoolchildren program was currently feeding about 500 youngsters who otherwise might go to school with gnawing emptiness in their bellies. She said the program at the Better Boy's Foundation took care of about 225 per day while a program on the South Side, 500 E. 37th Street, took care of another 250 to 300 on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

"Funds come from various organizations and individuals; food from donations by grocery store owners, milk companies and so forth," the appealing Deputy Minister of Labor explained,



BLACK PANTHER PARTY member helps children keep table neat while they continue with pre-class breakfasts Panthers have initiated with the help of businessmen and people interested in the welfare of ghetto youngsters.

Black Panthers are Feeding Hungry Children in Ghetto

"but more is needed. Party members are continually engaged in a search for new resources."

"IF WE COULD only get a dollar per week from each person who is concerned about the welfare of our beautiful Black children," another Panther spoke out, "our problem wouldn't be so big."

"In this program," Miss King went on, "as in most of our programs, we are trying to involve the community to the point where local people can take over. Our efforts are a people thing. They are for the people. The program is meant to be run by the people."

Despite obvious police determination to wipe the Black Panther Party off the American map, the party is gaining new members every day—on the streets of the ghetto and in colleges across the land. Its leaders are becoming national heroes—for whites and Blacks alike—despite news media attempts to picture the Panthers as gunsels and terrorists.

The basic philosophy behind the Black Panther Party may frustrate every establishment attempt to destroy its members. "Power to the people!" the young men and women said as we left. "Power to the people!" we replied.



ROUGH AND TUMBLE-appearing young boys can be hungry in the morning, too. At Chicago Better Boy's Foundation, Black Panther breakfast program draws many who have come to look on the Panthers as a new kind of big brother organization — one that cares about little Black brothers in the slums.

Black Revolutionary Poetry

"HELL YES I'M ANGRY"

Could that "Angry black cry"
I hear
Mean that
"Freedom"
In it's tender stages
Is near?

Or
Is that just another shining dawn
With it's freshly shaven head
Ready to lay bare the souls
of black men
And strike us dead?



When
Did you last look upon yourselves
And smiled . . .
Smiled at what your eyes behold
Knowing
That pound for pound
Blackness
Is a virtue
As only black deeds are sound . .

"Yes, I'm angry
For I carry the memory of tears
My mother shed
My heart is heavy
Breathing hatred for white
America
As they too
Count the many times
My body went unfed . . .

So
Blame not your families
Whitey's disrespect
If you must
But remember . . .
Before I let you destroy the total
cause
For black freedom . . .
I'll personally
Put you to death . .

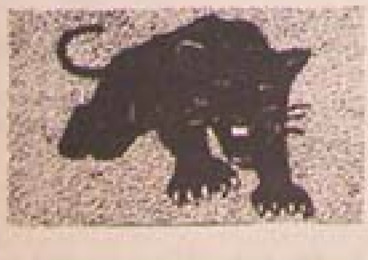
"Huh"!
And to think
White America has the audacity
to ask . . .
"Am I angry???"

Hell Yes,
"I'm angry.

THE SMELL OF PIG

what should we get rid of?
when I walk down the street
what do i smell -- pigs --
when I mind my own business
what do i smell -- pigs --
when I breathe to live
what do i smell -- pigs --
what should we get rid of --
the smell of pigs

aurelia bealum



Black Panther National Anthem

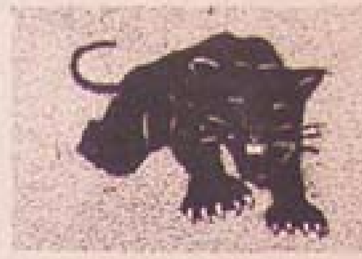
Yes - He turned and he walked
Past the eyes of my life.
And, he nodded and sang without sound,
And his face had the look
Of a man who knew strife
And a feeling familiarly came around.
REFRAIN:
I said,
Man, where have you been for all these years
Man, where were you when I sought you
Man, do you know me as I know you
Man, am I coming through
And, he spoke in a voice
That was centuries old,
And, he smiled in a way that was strange,
And, his full lips of night
Spoke about our people's plight
And a feeling familiarly came around.
REFRAIN:
And, we sat and we talked
About freedom and things,
And, he told me about what he dreamed,
But I knew of that dream
Long before he had spoke
And a feeling familiarly came around
REFRAIN

Elaine

TO THE CULTURAL NATIONALIST

SPECIAL SECTION FOR THE NIGGAS ON THE LOWER EAST SIDE--OR--INVERT THE DIVISOR AND MULTIPLY

you lick every cranny in tomp-
kins square
you slurp every gutter from river
to river
you are gluttons devouring
every cunt in every garbage can
on avenue b
you hope to find
an eighty ton white woman
with a cock big enough
to crawl inside
you don't just want a white woman
you want to be a white woman
you are concubines of a beast
you want to be lois lane, audrey
hepburn, ma perkins, lana tur-
ner, jean harlow, kim stanley,
may west, marilyn monroe,
sophie tucker, betty crocker,
tallulah bankhead, judy
canova, shirley temple,
and trigger
you freaks; with your wire-rim
glasses and double-breasted
pin striped coats, and see checker
pants
you sing while your eyes are
scraped from their sockets
you dance while flares are rammed
into your ears
you jive mercenary freaks
selling nappy hair for a party
invitation
selling black for a part in a play
selling black for a ride in a rolls
selling black for a quick fuck
selling black for two lines on
page 6,000 in the new york
times
selling babies in birmingham for
a smile in the den
turn white you jive motherfucker
and ram the bomb up
your ass.
you are the lice
of the lower eastside
you are deranged imitators
of white boys acting out a
fucked-up notion of the mystique
of black suffering uptown
they believe they are niggas
here you have explanations -
psychological, cultural, sociolo-
gical,
epistemological, cosmological,
political,
economic, aesthetic, religious,
dialectical,
existential, jive-ass bullshit ex-
planation
for being niggas you are
deranged slobbering punks lapping
in the
ass of a beast
in the bars you recite
slave rebellions you recite egypt
you recite timbuktu you stand
on your head and whine anger
you are frauds trying to legiti-
mize
what you say you are
you are jive revolutionaires
who will never tear this house
down
you are too terrified of cold
too lazy to build another house



POW!

His brain splattered to the dotted
floor
my people's hearts and pains
created the pattern of red upon
that dotted base
I could see my mother on her
knees
whimpering
to some abstract being
whimpering
my stomach growling
my knees shaking from cold
created the blood stained pattern
on the floor
Bunchy, John---the result of this
pigs' madness
that sadistic half-dicked mother-
fucking fool
and don't forget those who stand
in the way
the unconcerned
shall also make a bloody pattern
on the pavement
for the vanguard has a pact with
the people
to fight to the death
'cause it's time for the madmen
to unclench their fists, and stop
standing on their toes
waiting to move
Papa's coming home,
Huey's coming back,
and the oppressor shall vanish.
Marsha



October 1966 Black Panther Party Platform and Program

What We Want What We Believe

1. We want freedom. We want power to determine the destiny of our Black Community.

We believe that black people will not be free until we are able to determine our destiny.



FREE HUEY

Minister of Defense, Black Panther Party

2. We want full employment for our people.

We believe that the federal government is responsible and obligated to give every man employment or a guaranteed income. We believe that if the white American businessmen will not give full employment, then the means of production should be taken from the businessmen and placed in the community so that the people of the community can organize and employ all of its people and give a high standard of living.

3. We want an end to the robbery by the white man of our Black Community.

We believe that this racist government has robbed us and now we are demanding the overdue debt of forty acres and two mules. Forty acres and two mules was promised 100 years ago as restitution for slave labor and mass murder of black people. We will accept the payment in currency which will be distributed to our many communities. The Germans are now aiding the Jews in Israel for the genocide of the Jewish people. The Germans murdered six million Jews. The American racist has taken part in the slaughter of over fifty million black people; therefore, we feel that this is a modest demand that we make.

4. We want decent housing, fit for shelter of human beings.

We believe that if the white landlords will not give decent housing to our black community, then the housing and the land should be made into cooperatives so that our community, with government aid, can build and make decent housing for its people.

5. We want education for our people that exposes the true nature of this decadent American society. We want education that teaches us our true history and our role in the present-day society.

We believe in an educational system that will give to our people a knowledge of self. If a man does not have knowledge of himself and his position in society and the world, then he has little chance to relate to anything else.

6. We want all black men to be exempt from military service.

We believe that Black people should not be forced to fight in the military service to defend a racist government that does not protect us. We will not fight and kill other people of color in the world who, like black people, are being victimized by the white racist government of America. We will protect ourselves from the force and violence of the racist police and the racist military, by whatever means necessary.

7. We want an immediate end to POLICE BRUTALITY and MURDER of black people.

We believe we can end police brutality in our black community by organizing black self-defense groups that are dedicated to defending our black community from racist police oppression and brutality. The Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States gives a right to bear arms. We therefore believe that all black people should arm themselves for self-defense.

8. We want freedom for all black men held in federal, state, county and city prisons and jails.

We believe that all black people should be released from the many jails and prisons because they have not received a fair and impartial trial.

9. We want all black people when brought to trial to be tried in court by a jury of their peer group or people from their black communities, as defined by the Constitution of the United States.

We believe that the courts should follow the United States Constitution so that black people will receive fair trials. The 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution gives a man a right to be tried by his peer group. A peer is a person from a similar economic, social, religious, geographical, environmental, historical and racial background. To do this the court will be forced to select a jury from the black community from which the black defendant came. We have been, and are being tried by all-white juries that have no understanding of the "average reasoning man" of the black community.

10. We want land, bread, housing, education, clothing, justice and peace. And as our major political objective, a United Nations-supervised plebiscite to be held throughout the black colony in which only black colonial subjects will be allowed to participate, for the purpose of determining the will of black people as to their national destiny.

When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume, among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the laws of nature and nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. **That, to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed; that, whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute a new government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness.** Prudence, indeed, will dictate that governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and, accordingly, all experience hath shown, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. **But, when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same object, evinces a design to reduce them under absolute despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such government, and to provide new guards for their future security.**

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RULES OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY

CENTRAL HEADQUARTERS OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA..

Every member of the **BLACK PANTHER PARTY** throughout this country of racist America must abide by these rules as functional members of this party. **CENTRAL COMMITTEE** members, **CENTRAL STAFFS**, and **LOCAL STAFFS**, including all captains subordinate to either national, state, and local leadership of the **BLACK PANTHER PARTY** will enforce these rules. Length of suspension or other disciplinary action necessary for violation of these rules will depend on national decisions by national, state or state area, and local committees and staffs where said rule or rules of the **BLACK PANTHER PARTY WERE VIOLATED**.

Every member of the party must know these verbatum by heart. And apply them daily. Each member must report any violation of these rules to their leadership or they are counter-revolutionary and are also subjected to suspension by the **BLACK PANTHER PARTY**.

THE RULES ARE:

1. No party member can have narcotics or weed in his possession while doing party work.
2. Any party member found shooting narcotics will be expelled from this party.
3. No party member can be **DRUNK** while doing daily party work.
4. No party member will violate rules relating to office work, general meetings of the **BLACK PANTHER PARTY**, and meetings of the **BLACK PANTHER PARTY ANYWHERE**.
5. No party member will **USE, POINT**, or **FIRE** a weapon of any kind unnecessarily or accidentally at anyone.
6. No party member can join any other army force other than the **BLACK LIBERATION ARMY**.
7. No party member can have a weapon in his possession while **DRUNK** or loaded off narcotics or weed.
8. No party member will commit any crimes against other party members or **BLACK** people at all, and cannot steal or take from the people, not even a needle or a piece of thread.
9. When arrested **BLACK PANTHER MEMBERS** will give only name, address, and will sign nothing. Legal first aid must be understood by all Party members.
10. The Ten Point Program and platform of the **BLACK PANTHER PARTY** must be known and understood by each Party member.
11. Party Communications must be National and Local.
12. The 10-10-10-program should be known by all members and also understood by all members.
13. All Finance officers will operate under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Finance.
14. Each person will submit a report of daily work.
15. Each Sub-Section Leader Section Leader, Lieutenant, and Captain must submit Daily reports of work.
16. All Panthers must learn to operate and service weapons correctly.
17. All Leadership personnel who expel a member must submit this information to the Editor of the Newspaper, so that it will be published in the paper and will be known by all chapters and branches.
18. Political Education Classes are mandatory for general membership.
19. Only office personnel assigned to respective offices each day should be there. All others are to sell papers and do Political work out in the community, including Captains, Section Leaders, etc.
20. COMMUNICATIONS — all chapters must submit weekly reports in writing to the National Headquarters.
21. All Branches must implement First Aid and/or Medical Cadres.
22. All Chapters, Branches, and components of the **BLACK PANTHER PARTY** must submit a monthly Financial Report to the Ministry of Finance, and also the Central Committee.
23. Everyone in a leadership position must read no less than two hours per day to keep abreast of the changing political situation.
24. No chapter or branch shall accept grants, poverty funds, money or any other aid from any government agency without contacting the National Headquarters.
25. All chapters must adhere to the policy and the ideology laid down by the **CENTRAL COMMITTEE** of the **BLACK PANTHER PARTY**.
26. All Branches must submit weekly reports in writing to their respective Chapters.

8 POINTS OF ATTENTION

1) Speak politely.
2) Pay fairly for what you buy.
3) Return everything you borrow.
4) Pay for anything you damage.
5) Do not hit or swear at people.
6) Do not damage property or crops of the poor, oppressed masses.
7) Do not take liberties with women.
8) If we ever have to take captives do not ill-treat them.

3 MAIN RULES OF DISCIPLINE

1) Obey orders in all your actions.
2) Do not take a single needle or a piece of thread from the poor and oppressed masses.
3) Turn in everything captured from the attacking enemy.



SOUL ON ICE?

"IT IS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME UNTIL THE QUESTION OF THE PRISONER'S DEBT TO SOCIETY VERSUS SOCIETY'S DEBT TO THE PRISONER IS INJECTED FORCEFULLY INTO NATIONAL AND STATE POLITICS, INTO THE CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS STRUGGLE, AND INTO THE CONSCIOUSNESS OF THE BODY POLITIC. IT IS AN EXPLOSIVE ISSUE WHICH GOES TO THE VERY ROOT OF AMERICA'S SYSTEM OF JUSTICE, THE STRUCTURE OF CRIMINAL LAW, THE PREVAILING BELIEFS AND ATTITUDES TOWARD A CONVICTED FELON." (SOUL ON ICE, P.59)

Eldridge Cleaver made the decision to politically exile himself November 27th, on the basis that the Adult Authority made an outlaw decision, and that he has been denied his constitutional right to due process of law.

The revocation of Cleaver's parole was illegal, because no parole violation was committed.

The Adult Authority parole board has tried to maintain that Cleaver violated his parole by having a rifle in his possession, and by associating with individuals of bad reputation. This contention, we will show, is false. The Adult Authority version contradicts the Superior Court order itself:

". . . Cleaver's only handling of a firearm (the rifle) was in obedience to a police command. He did not handle a hand gun at all. There was nothing one way or the other to show a conspiracy or a situation calling for the application of the doctrine of aiding and abetting. Hence, nothing supported either the possession of a firearm or the assault charge.

As to the charge of association with individuals of bad reputation, the report indicated that two or three of those named had "police records," but nothing to show whether any had been convicted of anything, or whether Cleaver knew of their arrest record." (Superior Court c.t. 137, 138, 140, 141.)

Parolee Cleaver was denied due process of law by being denied opportunity to present his case.

Why was Cleaver returned to prison as a parole violator if documented evidence to the contrary had been presented in his defense? To answer that question, one must examine the Adult Authority. This board has the right to arbitrarily revoke or suspend parole on any individual. At the same time, the Adult Authority maintains—falsely—that Cleaver has the opportunity to defend himself at a hearing. This is how it works:

"A parolee is served with violation charges, is interviewed, is given a hearing (before the Adult Authority itself, the charging party) at which the parolee may 'plead' to the parole violation charges, and is afforded an opportunity to present his defense."

"At the 'hearing' a parolee is denied the right to counsel, may not have an independent and impartial officer to conduct the hearing and make decision." (Petition for Hearing in the Supreme Court, p. 17)

Not only does the Adult Authority hold secret hearings, but it also refuses to notify persons under its jurisdiction of its procedures, or of its variable definitions of what constitutes a parole violation. This secrecy and vagueness is in direct violation of federal law which requires agencies to publish their procedures "for guidance of the public."

"Petitioner (Cleaver) is immediately and seriously prejudiced by the Adult Authority's unlawful refusal to publish its regulations, since he is to be imprisoned by virtue of an action which the Adult Authority still seeks to garb in this 'veil of secrecy.' (Petition for Hearing in the Supreme Court, p. 12)

Yes, the Adult Authority acted unjustly and illegally. Its decision was an outlaw decision. Cleaver had no chance of obtaining "justice" from these Star Chamber proceedings. Why then wouldn't the U.S. Supreme Court hear Cleaver's case? There are, we believe, three reasons why the case wasn't accepted. The first is that any fair minded court would obviously have released Cleaver, thereby setting a precedent. The second is that thousands of cases of alleged parole violation from all over California and other states would be subject to reversal. Thirdly, the illegal functioning of the Adult Authority would come under attack. The U.S. Supreme Court just couldn't afford to consider the Cleaver case during this turbulent period.

Eldridge Cleaver is a victim of naked, shameless political persecution. As Judge Sherwin puts it:

". . . The uncontradicted evidence presented to this court indicated that the petitioner had been a model parolee. The peril to his parole status stemmed from no failure of personal rehabilitation, but from his undue eloquence in pursuing political goals, goals which were offensive to many of his contemporaries. Not only was there absence of cause for the cancellation of parole, it was the product of a type of pressure unbecoming, to say the least, to the law enforcement paraphernalia of this state."

Cleaver is in political exile because a man of his convictions cannot get justice here. Indeed, if we are to give more than lip service to the concepts of freedom and justice we must support him. The work to get him discharged from parole must continue. An intense publicity campaign is necessary now to bring to the public the legal defense and arguments which were carried to the courts with no satisfaction. We must all work together to focus attention of this case. This is not an issue of one man's freedom, but a broad struggle which affirms the right of all of us to speak out politically in this country. If Cleaver is not allowed his freedom, it is just a matter of time until all our freedoms are further reduced. His is not a personal struggle but a political one.

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OAKLAND, California -- The National Advisory Cabinet to the Black Panther Party is working with and for St.Augustine Episcopal Church's program breakfast in the morning for Oakland's school children in the black community.

All children in grammar schools and growing young adults in Junior High Schools can receive free, FULL BREAKFASTS in the mornings before they go to school. The first of these breakfasts will exist one hour before school hours at St. Augustine's Church, 27th and West, and the Black Community Center, at 42nd and Grove Streets, EVERY SCHOOL MORNING.

The National Advisory Cabinet and church members are calling on all mothers and others who want to work with this revolutionary program of making sure that our young have full stomachs before going to school. The schools and the Board of Education should have had this program instituted a long time ago. How can our children learn anything when most of their stomachs are empty? Black people in the Black Community-mothers, welfare recipients, grand-mothers, guardians, and others who are trying to raise children in the black community where racists oppress us - are asked to come forth to work and support this needed program. Soul food; grits, eggs, bread, and meat for the stomachs is where it's at when it comes to properly preparing our children for education. LET'S DO IT NOW. Support this community program.

Those who want to volunteer their work every morning or every other morning can come to the BLACK PANTHER PARTY CENTRAL HEADQUARTERS at 3106 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley or contact Father Niel at these numbers: 534-6684, 893-1016. Interested persons may also contact Ruth Beckford Smith at 893-8211 or sign up with other community peoples and citizens for full stomachs and better education of black children.

We urge as many mothers and other black citizens as possible to side with this COMMUNITY-BLACK PANTHER PROGRAM. We are also asking all businesses throughout the black community to donate the necessary food and utensils to prepare the foods for our children. Call the Black Panther Office at 845-0103 or 845-0104. Everything of value donated to BREAKFAST FOR CHILDREN is tax deductable. Items of funds may be sent c/o St. Augustine Episcopal Church. Just let us know, both black and white communities and citizens, what you can donate in money, time, etc.

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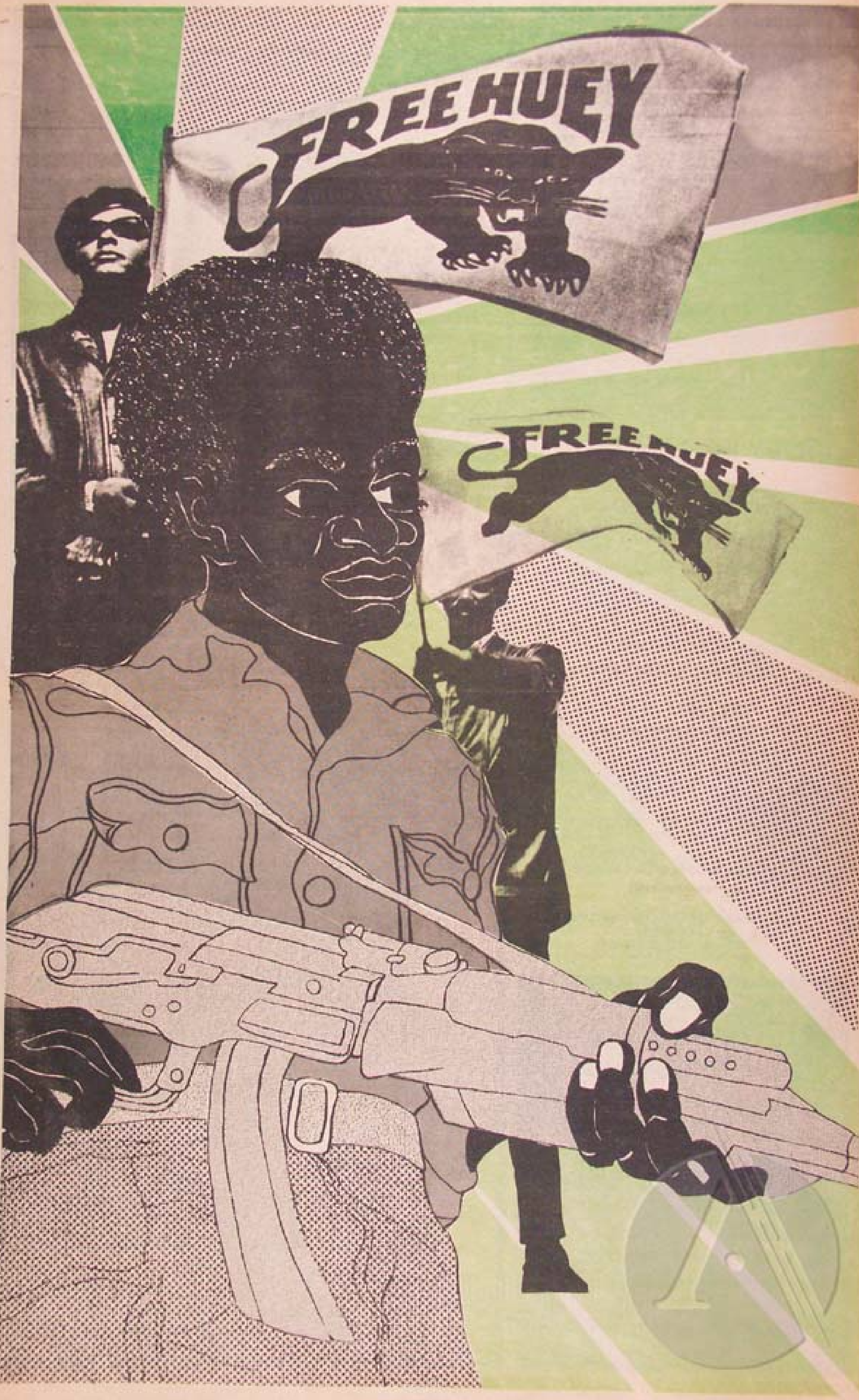
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